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Regatta to give away £8,000 to local groups

By Philip Evans

LYME Regis Regatta and Carnival Committee have announced that £8,000 has been donated to 33 local good causes as a result of their successful summer events.

The figure, one of the highest on record, was achieved despite the uncertain financial climate and having to cope with indifferent weather during the August regatta and carnival week.

This means that the present committee, led by chaiman Teresa Evemy, has distributed £43,000 to local organisations and charities since 2003, making it one of the most successful fundraising carnivals in the area.

The committee are delighted with the results of the fundraising and are very grateful to all those who have helped throughout the year.

Once again there will be financial support for organisations who work for the young and for the old. The following groups will be receiving donations:

B Sharp, Brownies, Christmas lights, Coastguards, Father Christmas' Sleigh Project, Fishermen's Association, Get Together Club, Guides, Gymnastic Club, Hallett's Court Social Club, InSPARation, Lym Valley Scouts, Lyme Regis Football Club, Lyme Regis

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■ GOING UNDER THE HAMMER: Phil Street and Mike Higgs pictured at Saturday's auction at Lyme Regis Football Club with captain Adam Caddy and fundraising committee chairman Heather Larcombe and committee member Zoe Evans

Phil and Mike's last stand

FOURTEEN years ago Phil Street and Mike Higgs auctioned off some harvest produce and other gifts at the Ship Inn and raised £1,200 for the youth section of Lyme Regis Football Club,

Since then the Lyme's dynamic fundraising duo have raised over £70,000 for local causes at the various 'Harvest Home" auctions in the town.

It was appropriate that their last auctioneering event should be at the football club on Saturday evening where Phil and Mike played a big part in helping to raise over £1,600 for the club's improvements fund.

They auctioned off over 100 items generously donated by members and the traders of Lyme Regis.

After their last stint, and in true sporting fashion,

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60 SECOND INTERVIEW

AFTER spending most of his working life in Central London, Bernie Fallon moved to Lyme Regis in 2003 to be with his partner Rachel Thom.

Bernie set up his business Doodle Computers that he runs from an office in Charmouth and still spends two days a week in London where he works on a number of popular TV shows.

Closer to home Bernie is now in his third year as a retained fire fighter in Charmouth.

Bernie is also a trained musician and has been involved in musical theatre since the age of 15, even working on some professional productions.

Bernie, along with friend Maria Herbert, established his own theatre group, Marvellous Amateur Dramatics (MAD), earlier this year.

He is currently busy with rehearsals for MAD's first show "Summer Holiday" on which he is the Musical Director.

The show will be performed at Axminster Guildhall in February 2010.

■ HOW does life in London compare to life on the coast?

The one thing I sometimes get a bit frustrated with down here is that if you run out of milk after 11pm then you're stuck. Or when I used to smoke and you wanted to nip out and get cigarettes at 1am you couldn't. Tesco opening in Lyme is a bit of a godsend really because they stay open really late. The pace of life is a lot slower. People are a lot more chilled out and there is no pressure. When I go up to London I have to spend a couple of hours gearing myself up because the way of life is so much faster. Everyone has got somewhere to go and something to do and its high pressure all the time.

■ WHAT are the best TV shows you've worked on?

My favourite was Friday Night with Jonathon Ross because they always had a good mixture of guests and it was a good, fun production team. They are no longer my clients as Jonathon Ross set up his own production company and took the show with him.

■ WHAT are the best musicals you've worked on professionally?

I would say 42nd Street was my favourite because I love all the big band swing music. I played on that when it was touring the country.

■ WHAT made you decided to become a retained fire-fighter?

When I moved down here everyone was really nice to me and went out of their way to help me feel settled and comfortable and I felt that I would like to give something back into the community. I thought the fire service would be quite a good way of doing that.

■ WHY did you decide on Summer Holiday for your first show?

We had a committee meeting and put it to a vote basically. It was one of four potential shows. We shortlisted The Buddy Holly Story, Summer Holiday, Back to the Eighties and Disco Inferno. Summer Holiday got the majority vote and that's why we went for it.

■ WHAT do you like about the show?

I like the music. Cliff Richard gets such a bad press for his music but I think some of its really good. I don't know why all of a sudden people turned on him. I like the music and I like that era. I'm not a huge fan of rock and roll but I like the style of 60s music, and The Shadows aren't that bad either. It's a nice story, quite cheesy but a fun story and I think people will really enjoy it.

■ WHO would you recommend the show to?

I think it appeals to everybody really. You've got a nice simple story for younger kids to understand, you've got the music for lets say people in their 30s to 60s who remember and appreciate it. And for the older people there are no scares. We have a cast of good looking lads as well of course so all the ladies will love it. I don't think you could say that it targets a particular audience because it's a family show for everybody.

■ WHAT shows would you like to do in the future?

There are quite a few shows that I would like to do. One of them is "Rent" but I am not sure whether our small communities are ready for such a wild story. We have ideas on what we are planning on doing but I will just reserve that for a no comment at the moment.

■ HOW are preparations going for next year's show?

We are a strictly non-profit organisation so all the money that we make will go into this show and future shows and as such we need to do a lot of fundraising. Our next event is this Friday, December 11th where we have a Westlife tribute act, but they also do Take That and Boyzone and all sorts of things. My brother is in the band and they are coming down from Manchester for free to do the gig for us and help us raise money to put on the show.

■ WHO would be your three dream guests at a dinner party?

My first would be the drummer Buddy Rich. I'd like him at my dinner party so I could steal a few ideas from him and get some lessons because he is a legend. My second would be Freddie Mercury. Although I wasn't a great Queen fan when I was younger, I am now. I think that he was a tremendously talented man and I'd like to find out where he got his influences from. He was such a character that he would make the party quite wild. Finally it would be Stephen Fry because I love his intellect, he could entertain anybody.

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Three new shops open in time for Christmas

by Tom Glover

IT may be the quiet season in Lyme Regis but business is still booming with three new shops opening in the town for Christmas.

The first to open was "LymeWash Soaps" five weeks ago. Having originally started in Lyme, Megan and Andy Tipping brought the business back to the town, opening a shop in Silver Street.

The shop specialises in naturally produced soaps and toiletries and Megan Tipping will be producing her products in store.

Megan said: "My husband is a chemist and he is a great one for reading labels on products and we just decided that we wanted to make something more pure than what you buy in the supermarket or the chemist without any chemicals or additives. Natural body care is my passion and we want to show that it doesn't have to be boring."

The second shop to arrive was "Eco-logical-you" in Broad Street, which has now been open for two weeks.

Owner Tony Bartlett had previously been a partner at the "ChloErin" store in Axminster and also runs his own sports massage and reflexology business.

The new shop concentrates on environmentally friendly and, where possible, locally sourced products.

Mr Bartlett said: "You can get all things that are ecologically sound, green and environmentally friendly in one place.

"We are trying to make it a one-stop shop so people can come in and know that what we are stocking, does not have any of the nasty additives and chemicals in. and are all very green and natural products.

"We want the place to be open and friendly and to fit in with other local initiatives would be great. Interest since we opened has been fantastic. We thought it would be a slow couple of weeks but we have been very busy."

The shop will be officially opened at 10am this Saturday (December 12th) by the Mayor, Councillor Michaela Ellis. The store will be offering 10 per cent discount throughout the day on purchases over £25.

The third shop is due to open on Church Street in time for Christmas.

Owner Ann Henham has named her shop "Little Joys" after her mum Joy Tappin, a well-known former resident of Lyme.

The shop is set to open on Saturday, December 19th, the date of Joy's birthday.

"Little Joys" will stock arts and crafts as well as collectibles and other second-hand items. There will also be a holiday let available above the shop and a workshop attached to the main shop where Ann will produce her own arts and crafts.

Ann said: "I hope its going to add some fun and interest because I know a lot of people enjoy walking around these kind of shops. I will be supplying craft materials and supplies and if anyone wants anything I don't have then I will order it for them.

"I hope I will get lots of people coming in even If they just want to say hello. I want it to be a really friendly place."

■ LYMEWASH SOAPS - Megan Tipping in her new store in Silver Street

■ BUSY START - Tony Bartlett has had a busy few weeks since Eco-logical-you opened

■ READY FOR CHRISTMAS - Ann Henham gets "Little Joys" ready for its Christmas opening

Phil and Mike's last auction

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members of the club made a tunnel and clapped them from auction area to the bar where they celebrated their 14 years of success.

Phil told the *View from Lyme Regis*: "We have been doing four or five of these auctions every winter for the last 14 years and thought it was time to have a break and let someone else have a go.

"Mike and I have enjoyed every miunute of it and we have been delighted to have raised so much for local good causes over the years."

Tribute to Phil and Mike was paid by football chairman Howard Larcombe. He said: "Over the years they have consistently supported the football club. Phil has played for Lyme and his son Luke is very good player. We are verey grateful for all they have done for us over the years."

Regatta's £8,000 pay-out

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Lifeboat Crew, Lyme Regis Majorettes, Lyme Regis Radio, Lyme Regis Town Band, Lyme Regis Youth Football, Lyme Youth Theatre, Mother & Toddler Group, Operatic Society, Pantomime Society, Power Boat Club (Youth Section), Pre-School, Quest Youth Club, Response Medical Services, Sailing Club (Youth Section), St Michael's School, Taekwondo Club, Uplyme Youth Cricket Team,

Commenting on the distribution of funds, Ms Evemy tol the *View from Lyme Regis*: "We are delighted, once again, to be able to give such a large amount of money to local good causes.

"This brings the total to £43,000 given since 2003.

"It was a difficult summer because of the weather but we were well supported by local businesses and the increasing number of holidaymakers who come to Lyme Regis to enjoy an action-packed regatta and carnival week.

"My small committee is committed to promoting Lyme Regis as a family-friendly resort and we are already putting into place detailed plans for August 7th-15th next year. You can keep informed by looking at our website: www.lymeregis-carnival.co.uk"

The committee have now started to plan for the 2010 regatta and carnival events and would welcome new members to the committee.

The annual meeting will be held on Monday, January 18th 2010.

LETTERS

Reassuring for the council taxpayers

■ REGARDING the letter from Martin Diplock in last weeks *View from Lyme Regis,* it's not very often you see a professional advisor having to justify his charges in the press.

It's reassuring for myself and the council taxpayers of Lyme to know that Mr Diplock is doing some free work for Lyme Regis Town Council.

The fee of £3,285 for doing two and a half years work may seem to some good value for money. My agent's fee for the same workload was £1,250, a substantial 162.8% difference.

If anyone would like to know the details of my agent, please let me know.

Mr George Symonds,
Amusement Arcade,
Lyme Regis.

Goodwill gesture ...to the Editor

■ IN the season of goodwill, we are all encouraged to think of our blessings; and step back from our normal preoccupations, struggles and concerns.

Indeed, there is quite a bit of psychological research nowadays which suggests that the act of writing down what we are grateful for actually makes us happier!

So I would like to write here about how grateful I am that Lyme has a newspaper that is run by an editor who is willing to publish both sides of a story.

Geoffrey Mann,
Woodmead Road,
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New vicar has wide range of interests

A NEW vicar for Uplyme and Axmouth has been appointed and has just moved into the Rectory at Uplyme.

Gavin Tyte is due to commence his duties in the New Year and is at present settling into his new home together with his wife and two young daughters.

Gavin is 38 years old and has a degree in software engineering. He has run a recording studio, worked for a virtual reality company and helped design computer games for LEGO.

His other achievements include hitchhiking solo around Australia and wrote a travel book about his experiences. He has taught music technology and he got his diploma in theology in Bristol.

The REverend Tytewas curate in the New Forest and an Associate Vicar/Community worker in Bath.

He is also a human beatboxer (urban vocal percussionist) and has performed at venues all over the south of England. Gavin runs a website for beatboxers with 50,000 members. Beatboxing is a form of vocal percussion which primarily involves the art of producing drum beats, rhythm and musical sounds using ones mouth and lips)

Gavin loves analogue synthesizers, just about any kind of fishing and Apple Macs.

The parishes of Uplyme and Axmouth are so very pleased to welcome the Tyte family and are looking forward to Gavin's ministry in both communities.

■ **UPLYME'S NEW VICAR - the Reverend Gavin Tyte, a man of many interests**

Santa's sleigh coming to town

SANTA and his sleigh will be visiting Lyme Regis on the evenings of Sunday and Monday, December 13th and 14th. Organiser Neville Causley reports that Santa is booked, and looking forward to his tour of the streets of Lyme Regis on his sleigh.

This year the money raised will be donated to the Weldmar Hospicecare Trust.

Santa and his sleigh will take to the streets between 4pm and 8pm and will follow this route:

Sunday, December 13th:

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Monday, December 14th:

Dragons Hill, Overton Close, Fairfield Park, Charmouth Close, Charmouth Road, Lym Close, Anning Road, Kingsway, Summerhill Road, Henry's Way, Appleby Way, Elizabeth Close, Queenswalk, Queenscourt, South Avenue, Colway Lane, Talbot Road, North Avenue, Manor Avenue, Bay View Road, Broad Street, Silver Street, Cobb Road.

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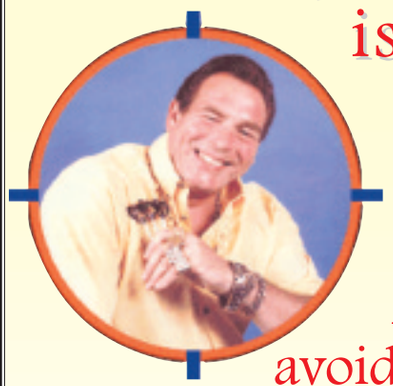

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SEVEN local teachers visited the Royal Academy in London to see the latest exhibition by world renowned artist and sculptor, Anish Kapoor.

Arranged by Alison Bowskill, the community art teacher from the Woodroffe School in Lyme Regis, one teacher from each of the primary feeder schools took part in the trip.

The aim was to look at how contemporary art works can be used as a learning stimulus within the primary curriculum.

The visit was the starting point for a long term collaborative project which will culminate in the production of a multi-media teaching and learning resource pack for students and staff and is part of Woodroffe's community commitment as a specialist school in the visual arts.

Alison Bowskill says, "It was a memorable and worthwhile trip, everyone went home with lots of inspiration and ideas to take into the classroom."

Success for Woodroffe students at mock trial

A YEAR 13 student from the Woodroffe School in Lyme Regis has won the press officer section of the South West Heat of the Bar National Mock Trial Competition.

James Jones was part of a team of 15 students who participated in the competition held in Plymouth on Saturday, November 21st.

Stephanie Hallam took second place in the court reporter competition and the team as a whole were runners up behind Plymouth High School for Girls.

The competition provides a unique opportunity for 15-18 year old students to gain hands on experience of the legal system through mock trials held in real Crown Courts.

The Citizenship Foundation, an independent charity working throughout the UK and overseas to promote more effective citizenship through education about the law, democracy and society, administers it. Founded in 1989, it aims to empower people, particularly the young and disadvantaged, with the knowledge, skills and understanding to engage positively with their communities.

Team leader and teacher Vanessa Cropp said: "The competition has given the students a fantastic opportunity to learn about and engage with the criminal justice system. They have all worked really hard throughout and it has been great to see their public speaking skills develop and be acknowledged in open competition. I am extremely proud of them."

STEPHANIE Hallam and James Jones who were successful in the Bar National Mock Trial Competition

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Christmas in Charmouth

CHRISTMAS COUNTDOWN - Children join parish council chairman Mallory Haytor for the big countdown

MUSICAL MAESTROS - The cast of Marvellous Amateur Dramatics upcoming show "Summer Holiday"

By Tom Glover

THE Charmouth Traders' Association began festive celebrations in the village with the second Victorian late night Christmas shopping event.

All the village shops had Christmas treats to offer and a number of local groups were running stalls.

Children of the village joined Charmouth Parish Council Chairman Mallory Haytor to start the night.

After a countdown in the centre of the village, the shops all turned on their Christmas lights simultaneously, illuminating the town for Santa's arrival.

The lights got Santa's stamp of approval as he rolled up in the main street. He met with the children who had lined the streets to greet him and then took up residence in his grotto.

Live music kept spirits up throughout the evening. "Saxbusters" got everybody in a festive mood, Mike Whatmore organised carol singing under the Christmas tree and then Marvellous Amateur Dramatics rounded off the evening with songs from their upcoming show "Summer Holiday".

Joint organiser Ian Simpson said: "It went very well considering the weather and was a really good evening.

"We were busier than last year and a lot of the village turned out which is exactly what we wanted. There were a lot of children who came on the night as well, which was great to see.

"We are very much hoping it will become an annual event."

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Christmas in Charmouth

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COMING TO TOWN - Santa arrives to greet the children

CHARMOUTH COMPANIONS - Mike Whatmore and Mike Davies get into the Victorian spirit

FESTIVE FUNDRAISING - Cherry Davies, Pat Stapleton and Barbara Whatmore of the Charmouth Companions

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Santa's Saturday visit to school

ST Michael's pupils Ryan, Leo and James run the sponge ball competition stall.

by Jackie Evans

FATHER Christmas paid an early visit to Lyme Regis on Saturday afternoon to spread some festive cheer and chat to children in his grotto at St Michael's Primary School Christmas Fayre.

The committee of the school's Parents and Friends Association, chaired by Sue Wiscombe, organised the event which raised around £350 plus an extra £130 on the school's own raffle.

Crowds of parents and children enjoyed the lucky dip, cakes and refreshments, face painting, and party bags, while some of the pupils ran stalls with games and competitions.

Treasurer Michaela Ellis commented: "We usually stage the Christmas Fayre on a Friday evening but this year it clashed with A Taste of Christmas at the Woodroffe, which would have made it difficult for parents with children at both schools, so we changed to Saturday afternoon."

NADIA Denslow meets Father Christmas.

LINDA Dean and Carys Lowe sell raffle tickets for the school.

MARY Edwards, Ellen Rooke, Charlie Bell and Michaela Ellis around the Christmas tree.

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Our idea is to make the shop a comfortable, friendly, and useful place for people living around Lyme Regis to come and buy the latest in all kinds of gifts for Christmas. Our range includes an extensive display of Cath Kidston towels, dressing gowns, PJ's, wash bags, hand creams, soaps,umbrellas and wellies. We have Lulu Guiness designer goods as well as Susie Watson mugs, jugs, cake stands and teapots.

We in "A Touch of Vintage" are committed to giving our customers what they want so if we do not have exactly what you want we will certainly do our best to order it for you. We have a made sure we have room in the shop for a chair so people can take the weight off their feet for a while and have current newspapers in the shop at weekends.

Our aim is to help our customers and make them feel welcomed to our beautiful and quirky shop.

We are striving to offer more interesting and delightful stock, we make sure there are new things arriving nearly every week and we are always more than happy if you just want to drop by to see what latest designer goods have arrived.

We have a good selection of modern scarves and hand warmers in the latest colours for this season at very reasonable costs, which would make lovely, practical and pretty presents.

Our range of Christmas decorations this year are red and green acorns, hearts, spotty red capped toadstools and shimmering silver vintage baubles. We also have in stock a wonderful range of lovely seasonal Christmas stockings.

Why not seek good old fashioned service from your local shop - come in and see us and we will help you with all those tricky Christmas gifts. Over the Christmas season we are offering complimentary Christmas wrapping using Cath Kidston paper, ribbon and name tags but you may have to pop back to collect wrapped goods if things are rather busy in the shop.

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The friendly experienced staff at A Touch of Vintage will be happy to welcome old and new customers this christmas.

Why not select your gifts in comfort in our beautiful local shop?

Free complimentary gift wrapping service available

Upgraded street lighting for Charmouth

CHARMOUTH is to get upgraded street lighting in conjunction with the removal of most of the overhead power cables that blight The Street.

Steve Wallis and Paul Maddock from SEC gave an outline of the proposed works to the parish council last Tuesday which included replacing almost 100 street lights within the next few months, and about a further 30 lights at a later date.

The new lighting will be reduced in height to 5m (instead of the current 8m), they will be lower wattage white lights, rather than orange and will be directed at lighting the pavements and roads rather than all around as at present. The lights will provide the minimum amount of light needed to provide visibility for drivers with no pollution to the atmosphere.

SEC plan to drop a leaflet into all households affected by the changes during December and estimate starting the works in January. They will undertake to answer any queries and although there will be some disruption during the change over, they will endeavour to keep this to an absolute minimum.

■ THE parish council would be interested in residents' views to the idea of turning off the street lights between the hours of midnight and 5am in the interest of saving energy?

Where have all the cars gone?

AT THE November parish council meeting, county councillor Colonel Geoffrey Brierley mentioned that the county council are to hold a site visit later in November to look at the on-street parking situation in Charmouth, with a decision expected in January.

He said he was puzzled as to where all the cars had gone that used to park in The Street prior to the work to place the electricity cables underground. Even though the district council car park in St Andrew's Drive had been halved in size due to the building works, Colonel Brierley said that this was not inundated with residents' vehicles either.

Fundraising success for alpaca fayre

By Tom Glover

■ ALPACA CHATTER - Sue Thomas with Katie Slade of Weldmar

LYME Alpacas packed in the visitors as their first festive fayre proved a great success despite the weather.

Guests of all ages wrapped up warm and took the opportunity to go and meet the alpacas face to face on Wednesday of last week.

There was also a variety of Christmas gifts on offer including alpaca pictures, clothing and story books.

The day was also a fundraising event for Weldmar Hospicecare Trust - Lyme Alpacas nominated charity for 2009.

Donations taken for entry and refreshments raised £350 and more was raised through the sale of Weldmar products.

Owner Sue Thomas said: "The day was a massive success and it exceeded all of our expectations.

"When we saw the weather we were worried but we were kept busy right up until three o'clock.

"The day had a really friendly atmosphere and people were really interested in the animals, we will definitely do it again."

Anyone who missed the fayre can arrange a visit to Lyme Alpacas by calling 05603 151411.

■ MAKING FRIENDS - Amelia Hutchings meets an Alpaca

Advertiser's Announcement

Hi from Oliver Newton at David Gear Horticultural. I'm proud to announce the first anniversary of our successful move to new premises at 14 Riverside Workshops, Seaton. I'm always aiming to give great service and would like to thank all my customers for their continued loyalty and business.

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It's chainsaw season and I have an unmissable offer for December and January of 2 for 1 on chain sharpening – bring 2 in and I'll only charge for one – there's nothing more frustrating than getting halfway through a job and have a blunt chain so I recommend you always have a 2nd sharpened chain to hand to swap over.

As well as stocking a range of top name brands I also recognise it's a tough time for all so I now stock a great range of domestic power equipment that offers unbelievable value whilst still giving full parts back up. The petrol powered range includes: Long reach hedge trimmer – from £199; Hand held hedge trimmer – from £175; 26cc brush cutter – from £165

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Don't be seduced by the big sheds and their Christmas offers – just think what'll happen if it goes wrong and remember you'll get a box and have to take the risk of assembling it yourself – I'll give you a fully working machine with the right fluids and fully tested – in short I'll give you peace of mind.

I'll be working over the Christmas period to improve our sales area and workshop so why not pop in and see what we've done.

Have a wonderful, festive season and I'm already looking forward to Spring and seeing you all again soon.

View Letters

This great weight of stones is unnecessary

■ IN A recent ***Lyme Matters*** column Philip Evans said the experts got it right with regard to the mass of shingle on the beach. Well they got it right if the cheapest possible solution was all that was required, but not otherwise.

Extending the Cobb boulder protection and phase one in front of the Cart Road would have had the same effect. However, placing boulders and building steps over them would have been more expensive.

Indeed the reason for the shingle given on the TV program Coast was that the great weight of stones would stabilise the Cart Road and stop it from slipping. This is nonsense as the mass of stones (unless fused into one lump) is a macroscopic Newtonian fluid, as each pebble can slide over the other.

I put this to the chief engineer and he had to agree that this would not stop the Cart Road slipping, stating that the main reason for not extending phase one was because a child in Florida had got her foot caught in a similar structure and drowned. I doubt the truth of this as Florida does not have high tides, but even if it were true, on that basis we would have to stop children swimming, riding bikes and driving in cars etc.

One wonders how such an ignorant man could become chief engineer, but then the same could be said of planning or anybody in the public sector where basic science is not within their gift.

I was told that councillors were taken to see a small scale model of the Cobb extension. Of course they were fooled into believing that this approximated reality, but it does not as gravity works differently at different scales, and the reasons for this were clearly set out in 'On Growth and Form' by D'Arcy Thompson published in 1917.

I have to say, if you are looking for a British expert, the nearest place to find one is San Francisco, as the West Coast of the USA is where they now all live. This also applies to good doctors and nurses, while we are left with bureaucratic halfwits.

W Coop,
Lyme Regis

Praise for RNLI fundraisers

SIX LIVES SAVED and 45 people helped to safety so far this year – that's the record of the Lyme Regis lifeboat and her volunteer crew.

The details are revealed in a letter from the town's Lifeboat Operations Manager, Rob Fossett, to volunteers whose fund-raising efforts have helped to keep the lifeboat, the Pearl of Dorset and her crew afloat to answer emergency calls.

Writing to the local RNLI Guild and those who staff the lifeboat shop, Mr Fossett said that once again there has been an increase in the number of emergency calls...45 so far this year.

And he pointed out that a number of calls were to positions a long way from the lifeboat stations – one to a sailing boat 20 miles to the south, two separate incidents to a yacht and a dive boat 16 miles to the southwest and another to an angling boat 17 miles to the southwest.

Mr Fossett said:" The results are always best viewed not as hours at sea or nautical miles travelled but as the number of lives saved or people assisted.

"Unfortunately the lifeboat crew were unable to save one man who subsequently drowned."

In his letter Mr Fossett praised the work of volunteers who staff the RNLI shop – with takings of £95,000 last year – and Guild members constantly raising money for the charity.

He described the Lifeboat Week results this year – some £22,000 – as "a fantastic achievement by all concerned."

Mr Fossett added: "The lifeboats, training and equipment used by the RNLI is the best available and is always being reviewed to ensure the utmost safety of our crews.

"The RNLI as a charity needs to continue to raise funds to achieve our purpose of saving lives at sea.

"The work of the RNLI Guild, shop and boat crews is vital to the future of the charity."

Poetry for Pleasure

by Frank McGarry

ABOUT ten years ago, when I came to live in the Ware Valley that runs down across the Devon/ Dorset border into Lyme Regis, I wrote a poem that ended with these lines:

…yet we are happy we can share
The sweetest valley anywhere.
We've voyaged here and journeyed there
But never saw a Lane as fair.
In this green vale of Dorset/Devon
We've found the nearest thing to Heaven.

However, we had never been to County Wicklow and never seen the Vale of Avoca. The Irish poet, Thomas Moore (1779-1852), was quite sure that his valley of Avoca was the sweetest of all – but of course he hadn't seen the valley of Ware had he?

The Meeting of the Waters

There is not in the wide world a valley so sweet
As that vale is whose bosom the bright waters meet;
Oh! The last rays of feeling and life must depart,
Ere the bloom of that valley shall fade from my heart.

Yet it was *not that nature had shed o'er the scene*
Her purest of crystal and brightest of green;
'Twas not *her soft magic of streamlet and hill,*
Oh! No, - it was something more exquisite still.

'Twas that friends, the belov'd of my bosom, were near,
Who made every dear scene of enchantment more dear,
And who felt how the best charms of Nature improve,
When we see them reflected from looks that we love.

Sweet vale of Avoca! How calm could I rest
In they bosom of shade, with the friends I love best,
Where the storms that we feel in this cold world should cease,
And our hearts, like thy waters, be mingled in peace.

LET'S have one more of Thomas Moore's poems. This one reminds me of an elderly couple we met on holiday 25 years ago. A few months later we visited them, and as we entered their spacious sitting room we saw, in the centre of the room, a beautiful baize-covered card table. "Oh, I see you play Bridge, Fred", I remarked. "Yes, but you mustn't play Bridge with us," he replied, "Everyone we ever played with has died".

The Light of Other Days

Oft, in the stilly night,
Ere slumber's chain has bound me,
Fond memory brings the light
Of other days around me:
The smiles, the tears
Of boyhood's years,
The words of love then spoken;
The eyes that shone,
Now dimm'd and gone,
The cheerful hearts now broken!
Thus, in the stilly night,
Ere slumber's chain has bound me,
Sad memory brings the light
Of other days around me.

When I remember all
The friends, so link'd together,
I've seen around me fall
Like leaves in wintry weather,
I feel like one
Who treads alone
Some banquet-hall deserted,
Whose lights are fled
Whose garlands dead,
And all but he departed!
Thus, in the stilly night,
Ere slumber's chain has bound me,
Sad Memory brings the light
Of other days around me.

If you have a short poem of your own that you would like to share with our readers please send it to: "*Poetry for Pleasure*", View from Publishing Ltd., St Michael's Business Centre, Lyme Regis, Dorset, DT7 3QF. Or e-mail it to us at: pemedia@pemedia.co.uk

Dynamic duo's last 'sold to'

Lyme Matters

by Philip Evans

THE curtain came down on 14 years of fundraising around the bars of Lyme Regis on Saturday when that dynamic duo, Phil Street and Mike Higgs, conducted their last charity auction.

It was appropriate that their 'last hurrah' was held at the Football Club for it was back in 1995 that they conducted their first "Harvest Home", raising £1,200 for the club's youth section at the Ship Inn.

"Harvest Homes" are unique to Lyme Regis and have been held in the town for many years.

At one time they were just a auction of harvest-type produce and, in the main, it was the late George Curtis, father of former mayor Ivor Curtis, who wielded the hammer.

Whilst there is still a smattering of produce which goes under the hammer, these days the auction items are far more varied and interesting and have raised many thousands for local organisations.

In fact, over the last 14 years that Phil and Mike have been uttering the immortal words "sold to ..." they estimate that they have raised in excess of £70,000 for local good causes, a magnificent total.

There's always been a lot of fun at these events. A few years ago when I was playing cricket regularly I was conned into buying my own cricket bat - several times!

Phil and Mike, who are the best of pals, have always added a great deal of fun to the auctions over which they presided. They always started with a couple of pints to get in the mood and finished in similar vein.

The football club, I am pleased to say, gave them a superb send-off on Saturday night, the players making an archway to the bar after they had sold the last lot which brought the total raised that night to £1,600. Another fantastic result.

Over the years Phil and Mike have been involved in all sorts of crazy fundraising events but their best and biggest earner was coming up with the idea of "Candles On The Cobb".

If you were to add up the amount they have raised over the years it would probably exceed £250,000.

Whilst they may have hung up their auction hammer for good, they will still be doing their bit for the community in the years to come.

And having more fun along the way, that's for sure.

■ **BEST PALS - Phil Street and Mike Higgs pictured at the Football Club on Saturday before their very last auction**

THERE'S another reason why we should thank our lucky stars that we live in Lyme Regis and its idyllic surrounds.

According to a survey published in last week's *Daily Mail*, Lyme Regis is among the top ten town's with the best mortality rate.

In other words, we are likely to, live longer.

In the *Mail's* list of the "Ten Longest-Lived Towns" Lyme was placed equal fifth with Colyton with a mortality rating of 6.9. Top place went to Montacute, near Yeovil, with 6.4.

Chard was not placed.

Ron would have loved it so much

I SHOCKED my daughter last week when I returned home, slightly squiffy, and said: "That was the most enjoyable funeral I have ever attended."

I had been to the thanksgiving service for Ron Baker, the former Lyme hairdresser and RAF veteran who had died suddenly a couple of weeks ago.

As expected, St Michael's Parish Church was packed and the Reverend Keith Vivian, who conducted the service, made it clear from the outset that he wanted it to be a "joyous occasion".

Joyous? It was positively hilarious and Ron would have just loved it.

He was the type of man who would not put up with any form of sychophancy and did not suffer fools gladly in life - he left specific instructions to his family that he did not want a eulogy full of flowery prose - and he certainly had no intention of doing so in death.

Well, he did not get any flowery prose, although there were a few choice expressions that you rarely hear in church. The job of producing a tribute which was not a eulogy fell to eldest son Geoff, a talented journalist who had us all in fits relating some of his father's idiosyncrasies that made life growing up in the Baker household so much fun.

It was the most irreverent, outrageous but brilliant speech I have ever heard in a church but no one felt it crossed the boundaries of decency in any way.

Geoff, the most talented reporter I every employed, very cleverly paid the most tender of tributes to his father without it seeming that he was actually saying anything good about him. It was very cleverly written and the Reverend Vivian, to his great credit, like the rest of us, had a big smile on his face throughout.

Afterwards we celebrated Ron's life in the way he would have wanted - down at the Pilot Boat - and watched, some of us with a little lump in our throats, as the Baker boys fired a rocket into the sky containing a lock of Ron's hair - the former Lancaster bomber pilot's very last flight.

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Christmas in Weymouth

What's on in Weymouth this Christmas?

Thursday 10th and 17th December
Late night shopping - Weymouth town centre

Take this opportunity to shop 'til you drop with late night shopping every Thursday night throughout December. There really is no excuse not to find what you're looking for!

Sunday 13th December
Christmas Carols in the Park - Greenhill Gardens

Come and join the festive spirit at Greenhill Gardens with mulled wine, mince pies, lighting up the Christmas Tree and Christmas carols. From 4pm.

Sunday 13th December
Wind Down for Christmas - Radipole Lake

Tear yourself away from the hustle and bustle of the high street and join the team on a relaxing, unwinding stroll around Radipole Lake, followed by a nice hot cup of tea at the centre. Takes place at Radipole Lake from 2pm - 4pm. Adults £3, children £1.50, half price for RSPB members.
For more information call 01305 778313, booking is essential.

Sunday 20th December
5km Chase the Pudding, Santa Dash - Weymouth Beach

Have you ever wondered what it's like to see hundreds of Santa's going for a run? Well now's your chance! Bustinskin, Weymouth and Portlands extreme sports club, is holding it's annual charity fun run, setting off across Weymouth beach on a 5km course. Runners are advised to book themselves in early and report for the run from 10.00am. The run itself starts at 11.00 am and is a great spectacle to see! Visit www.bustinskin.com for more information and booking details.

Friday 25th December
Lions Club Christmas Day Harbour Swim

Feeling brave? Why not sign up to the charity harbour swim yourself! If not join the hundreds of spectators cheering on family and friends brave (or silly!) enough to dive into the icy waters of Weymouth's famous harbour and swim to the other side. A great spectacle for young and old alike, and great fun on Christmas Day morning. The swim starts at 11.00am and details for entering can be obtained by calling Mark Lockie on 07971 441214 or email at harbourswim@weymouthlionsclub.co.uk

Thursday 31st December
New Years Eve Fancy Dress Party - Weymouth Town Centre

Herald in 2010 with this annual fancy dress party. Pubs, bars and clubs will be ringing in the New Year with the usual party atmosphere; just don't forget to bring the paracetemol!

Nutritrain Southwest

The centre for Health and Wellbeing

NUTRITRAIN Southwest has opened the first Centre for Health and Wellbeing at the Jubilee Enterprise Centre in Weymouth.

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Tai Chi, Yoga and Pilates classes are held on a weekly basis by John Harrop and Garry Andrews and are a fantastic way to improve fitness and wellbeing.

The centre has a well stocked health shop providing healthy and allergy free foods, nutritional supplements and complimentary lifestyle products. You can rest assured you will receive knowledgeable and personal help and advice by experienced staff.

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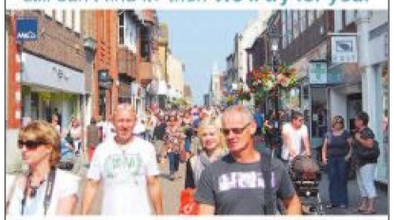

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CHARMOUTH - £295,000

A modern semi-detached house situated close to the village amenities and a level walk to the beach

- Entrance Hall
- Cloakroom
- Living Room
- Kitchen
- Dining/Sun Room
- Utility Room
- Three Bedrooms
- Bathroom
- Patio Garden
- Parking
- Double-Glazing
- Gas-Fired Central-Heating

CHARMOUTH - £460,000

A charming, Grade II listed, 3 bedroom period Property with coastal views. Master bedroom with ensuite, two further bedrooms, family bathroom, lounge with dining area, kitchen, cloakroom, private garden and garage. The property benefits from gas-fired central heating, while still retaining original period features

CHARMOUTH - £372,500

A modern 5 year old three bed detached house situated in an elevated position on the western side of Charmouth. Currently operating as a successful holiday letting business.

- Entrance Hallway
- Cloakroom
- Kitchen
- Dining Room
- Lounge
- Master Bedroom with En-Suite Shower
- Two Further Bedrooms
- Bathroom
- Small Garden
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- Porch
- Sitting room
- Dining room
- Kitchen
- 2 ground floor bedrooms
- Further double bedroom in attic
- Conservatory
- Further greenhouse/conservatory
- Attractive large garden
- 3 sheds
- Coal store
- Garage
- Parking
- uPVC double glazed windows
- Coal-fired central heating

UPLYME - £245,000

- Period terraced cottage
- Accommodation over three floors
- Living room with wood burning stove
- Large lower ground floor kitchen/dining room
- Bedroom 3 / study
- Two first floor bedrooms
- Bathroom
- Courtyard garden

UPLYME - £325,000

- A spacious detached bungalow with attractive gardens and pleasant views across a wooded valley
- Entrance hall
- Lounge/dining room
- Conservatory
- Kitchen
- Two double bedrooms
- Family bathroom
- Large loft space that could provide additional accommodation (subject to necessary conditions)
- Attractive gardens
- Garage and parking

ROUSDON - £795,000

- Dining hall
- Living room
- Conservatory
- Kitchen/breakfast room
- Cloakroom
- Study/utility room
- Two ground floor bedrooms with en-suite
- First floor - master bedroom with en-suite
- Two bedrooms
- Family bathroom with sauna
- Large landscaped gardens with access to paddocks extending to 3.75 acres (approx.)

UPLYME - £675,000

- Entrance Hall
- Drawing Room
- Dining Room
- Study
- Kitchen
- Utility
- Conservatory
- Master Bedroom
- Three Further Bedrooms One With Ensuite
- Two Family Bathrooms
- Swimming Pool
- Gardens
- Summer House

LYME REGIS - £327,000

NO CHAIN

- Entrance Porch
- Sitting Room
- Dining Room
- Conservatory
- Kitchen
- 4 Bedrooms
- 2 Bathrooms
- Utility room
- Garden Room
- Enclosed Gardens
- Gas Central Heating

UPLYME – £265,000

- Spacious first floor apartment
- Finished with great attention to detail
- Light & airey living/dining room
- Kitchen/breakfast room with fitted appliances
- Master bedroom with en suite
- Bedroom 2
- Additional study area
- 2 allocated parking spaces
- Communal garden
- Part of the sympathetic conversion of an elegant Grade II listed hotel
- Internal viewing strongly recommended

UPLYME – OIRO £430,000

- Situated on the edge of the village is this impressive 1920s detached house standing in large gardens of approximately 1/2 an acre with delightful views across the valley.
- Entrance hall
- Lounge
- Dining room
- Kitchen
- Utility/cloakroom
- Master bedroom
- Two further bedrooms
- Bathroom
- Conservatory
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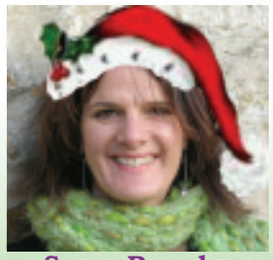

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BEST WISHES FOR CHRISTMAS AND THE NEW YEAR

As a successful first year of trading draws to a close, we would like to thank all those people who have bought and sold through us and made such lovely comments. We try to do our best for our customers and it is very rewarding when we receive thanks and acknowledgement for a job well done. The worst of the recession appears to be over but difficult times may still lie ahead and we tackle them as best we can. We look forward to entering our second year in January and hope that we will continue to help many new clients successfully sell their properties. If you are thinking of selling in 2010, please give us a try! Wishing one and all a very Merry Christmas.

Julie & Susan

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- Central Village Location
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- Utility Room, Study, Large Hall
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BRIDPORT £220,000

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- Good Location close to Town
- Three Bedrooms
- Two Reception Rooms
- Garden & Parking
- uPVC D/G & Gas CH
- Internal Updating Required

BRIDPORT £240,000

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FRIDAY DECEMBER 11TH

LYME REGIS: Save the Children - Mince Pies and Coffee Morning at the Baptist Church Hall, Cnr Silver Street and Sherborne Lane. 10am - 12noon. Telephone 01297 560694 or 560402 for more details.

CHICKERELL: Philippine Party (bring food and drink). 7pm - midnight at Willowbed Hall, Putton Lane. Telephone 01305 783319 for more details.

WEYMOUTH & PORTLAND: Weymouth and Portland U3A meet at the Salvation Army in Westham Road at 10.00am. Christmas Social meeting, as usual, a week early, with Hilary Foggo with her fun and laughter workshop. Everyone welcome.

SATURDAY DECEMBER 12TH

BRIDPORT: Christmas Coffee Morning with various stalls at Bridport United Church Hall from 10am - 12noon. In aid of Action for Children. Telephone 01308 423250 for more details.

BRIDPORT: Barnardos Bridport branch is holding a mince pies and coffee morning with live music from West Dorset Music Centre at the Town Hall from 10am - 12noon. There will also be a raffle and christmas cards for sale.

BURTON BRADSTOCK: Coffee morning - meet Dr Steve Bick, prospective parliamnetary candidate, and tell him your concerns. From 10.30am - 12noon, in the Reading Room. Organised by West Dorset Labour Party.

SUNDAY DECEMBER 13TH

WEST BAY: Allington Strings Winter Concert , from 3pm at St John's Church. Telephone 01308 455617 for more details.

WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 16TH

SYMONDSBURY: Symondsbury Mummers will be performing a Christmas Special at the Town Hall from 7.30pm. Entrance is £5 to Bridport musuem friends, £6 to guests, and includes mince pies and a glass of wine or soft drink.

Don't miss the Mummers

THERE is a chance next week to see the highly entertaining and enthusiastic Symondsbury Mummers perform.

The Christmas Special is being staged by the Friends of Bridport Museum at Bridport Town Hall on Wednesday (December 16th) starting at 7.30pm.

Mumming goes back to Pagan times and the group of exclusively men connected to the village of Symondsbury in some way, will be performing the traditional play that represents the turn of the year, death and resurrection.

Entrance is £5.00 to Museum Friends and Volunteers and £6.00 to guests and includes mince pies and a glass of wine or a soft drink.

This is another event organised by the Friends of the Museum where anyone is welcome to come along and give support to our local museum.

Inspiring talk in Weymouth

NUTRITRAIN Centre for Health and Wellbeing is to host an evening with Valerie and Stephen Coburn of Inspiration Plus on Thursday (December 10th).

The event, in aid of Julia's House, starts at 7.30pm, running until 9pm.

Valerie and Stephen will speak of their experiences and how they came to offer education, inspiration, balance and harmony with mind, body and soul.

Refreshments will be available, and although there is no charge for admission, donations to the Julia's House Hospice are greatly appreciated.

For more information contact Claire on 01305 839394, email claire@nutritrain.co.uk or call in at Unit 1, Jubilee Enterprise Centre, Weymouth, DT4 7BS

Quiz sheets now available

Melplash Village Hall Christmas Quiz sheets are now available from Bridport Tourist Centre, and The Half Moon and Corner Garage, Melplash. The sheet costs £1, and various prizes are up for grabs

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Saturday 12th Open 10am to 4.30pm
10am Coffee Morning in Main Hall for Action for Children
7.30pm Bridport Choral Society's Christmas Concert
Sunday 13th Open 2pm to 5pm
10.30am All Age Worship 6.30pm Evening Service
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Monday 14th Open 10am to 6pm
11am Stepping Stones Pre School Nativity Presentation
Tuesday 15th Open 10am to 6pm
1.30pm Bridport Primary School Choir sing Carols
7.30pm Bridport Women's Institute Carol Service
Wednesday 16th FINAL DAY Open 10am to 6pm
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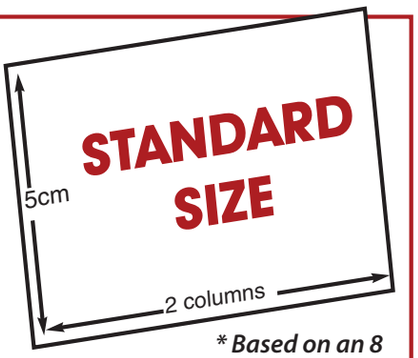

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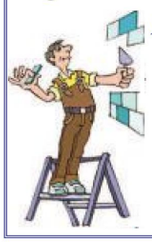

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Ford Fiesta continued as the UK's top seller in November. Having passed the 100,000 sales mark for 2009 in October, Fiesta sales are continuing to build – increasing by more than 21,000 to the end of November, compared with the same period in 2008. Ford Focus was second to Fiesta in the UK best-sellers chart in November and for the year to date.

The Government's scrappage scheme has lifted the UK market significantly, since its launch in May, with Ford boasting a total of 31,604 scrappage orders through to the end of November.

Nigel Sharp, Ford Britain managing director, said: "These latest figures from the Society of Motor Manufacturers and Traders confirm the strength in-depth of our product line-up. A continuous flow of fresh, new models and technology is key to this strength - this month we are revealing the second of our sub-100g CO2/km models, with the latest Ford Focus ECOnetic joining the Ford Fiesta ECOnetic."

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HORSE' GO LAME IN SEMI-FINAL

All three county cup-ties washed-out

PITCH SWITCH | Robin Townsend takes his Lyme team to Combe

ONE-OFF | Sam Dibling's two goals couldn't save Charmouth

PROLIFIC | Tim Hussey; through the 20-goal barrier already.

DORSET JUNIOR CUP
ROUND THREE

ALL three Dorset cup ties were postponed due to waterlogged pitches and will be rearranged for next weekend.

CORONATION CUP SEMI-FINAL

SOUTH Petherton are still waiting to see who they will face in Boxing Day's Coronation Cup final after the semi-final at the Davey Fort between Lyme Regis and holders Combe Reserves was postponed for the second time.

To ensure that there is no further delay, Lyme have agreed to switch venue's next weekend to Combe's sloping Slades Cross ground.

DIVISION ONE CUP
SEMI-FINAL

FORTON Rangers kept alive hopes of adding to their impressive tally of three Division One Cup Final triumphs with a semi-final win over visiting Ilminster Town Colts.

The game was decided by a penalty shoot-out after the teams finished all-square at 3-3 after two hours.

Rangers took an early lead courtesy of an own goal but Dan Vining levelled for the Colts before half-time. Matt Rowsell then edged the Blues ahead and Vining appeared to give Adam Whaites' side one foot in the final when he made it 3-1 soon after.

But a double from Tom Robinson forced extra-time during which the goals dried-up leaving the lottery of spot-kicks. It was the hosts who held their nerve the best scoring with their first three attempts whilst Colts failed with their first three with Forton keeper Adam Smith emerging as the hero with two fine saves.

Forton will take on Netherbury in the Final.

TOMMY TABBERER CUP
ROUND ONE

THE Hinton v Drimpton tie was postponed with both teams stripped and ready to play after Drimpton voiced their concerns about holes in the pitch to referee Willie Marks who called things off.

Norton Athletic, second placed in the League table were surprisingly taken to penalties by relegation favourites Chard United. Rodney Major gave visiting United an interval lead but Aaron Purnell levelled and the Norts squeezed home 4-3 in the shoot-out.

ROUND ONE

A HAT-TRICK by Shepton Beauchamp Reserves' striker Sam Murley ensured there will be no all-Crewkerne final. Murley's triple gave the Shepton second-string a 3-0 win at Crewkerne Town Reserves despite a fine midfield display from Tigers' Dave John.

Crewkerne Rangers kept their part of the bargain by knocking out White Horse Reserves 4-2 at Wadham School.

Simon Denslow gave Rangers an eighth minute lead which Russell Oldbury cancelled out five minutes before the turnaround.

A shaky five-minute spell from the visitors after the restart effectively handed Rangers their third cup final appearance since their formation last season. Firstly Denslow capitalised on some sloppy Horse defending and then Josh Lovatt converted a penalty to put the hosts away and clear at 3-1.

Nick Pomeroy's side gave themselves a chance when James Pitcher, with a classic diving header, following good work from Paul Miners and Chris Mathews reduced the arrears. But Denslow broke away near the end to seal the win and complete yet another hat-trick, his sixth of a campaign that looks destined to end with silverware.

DAISY HUTCHINGS CUP
ROUND TWO

GOALS from the Rowson brothers, Kev (2) and Rich gave Division One Perry Street Reserves a 3-0 win over Combe A from Division Three. The Mothers will be underdogs when they travel to Oxleaze to take on West & Middle Chinnock in Round Three.

The day's other tie also went in League order with South Petherton Reserves from Division Two proving two strong Division Three promotion chasers Fivehead United and cruising home 7-2. Star of the show was Ashley Smith who netted four times in the second-half. Mark Padfield, Steve Gold and Adrian Farrell made up the hosts' final tally with goalkeeper Mark Cullen, from the penalty spot, and Rob Cooke on target for Fivehead.

REG EGLON CUP
ROUND ONE

A FIRST ever clean sheet for Waytown Hounds formed the basis of their 3-0 victory over Hinton Reserves.

After a goal less first 45 Ed Stephenson, Mike Ackerman and top-scorer Matt Read with his seventh goal in five games gave the hosts a deserved passage through to the last eight.

PREMIER DIVISION

THE ruthless South Petherton goal-machine rolled into Merriott Rovers' Newchester Cross Ground and purred home with another six goals under their belt. Despite the score line Pethy didn't have things all their own way and the first-half ended goal less.

The flood gates were open in the 50th minute by Jodie Bovey who scored his 18th of the season. Rich Hebditch added a second soon after and the points were secured by defender Mark Tierney who netted the third. Lee Richards and Danny O'Brien were also on target but perhaps the most significant goal came from Danny Rendall, who completed his long comeback after a cruciate knee ligament injury, and the sixth.

The surprise inclusion of last season's top-scorer Sam Dibling gave Charmouth an unexpected boost ahead of the game with Misterton. And Dibling, who now turns out for Axminster Town in the South-West Peninsula League, didn't disappoint as his twice put the Robins ahead in first-half that ended all-square at 2-2.

But the parity couldn't last and Misterton, with Russell Hooker in fine form in the midfield engine-room, eased away to record their first win in nine outings with their goals shared amongst Jason Crabb, Johnny Jackson, Steve Martin and Paul Gold. Topman for Charmouth was midfielder Mark Fernee.

	P	W	D	L	F	APts
Beaminster	**9**	**8**	**0**	**1**	**44**	**824**
South Petherton	8	7	0	1	41	621
Lyme Regis	**7**	**6**	**0**	**1**	**22**	**918**
Barrington	8	4	2	2	18	1914
Ilminster Res	9	4	1	4	23	1613
Combe Reserves	8	4	1	3	19	1613
Perry Street	9	4	1	4	21	3313
Misterton	9	3	3	3	17	2012
Merriott Rovers	7	3	0	4	18	23 9
Crewkerne	9	2	0	7	18	30 6
White Horse	**7**	**1**	**0**	**6**	**10**	**21 3**
Charmouth	**10**	**0**	**0**	**10**	**13**	**63 0**

DIVISION ONE

FARWAY United's unbeaten away run was extended to seven matches following a 2-2 draw with Winsham United at Bakers Field.

The hosts squandered a great chance to grab an early advantage when Joe Langridge skewed a penalty wide and the Devonians, with James Salter netting his fourth goal in as many games, headed into the interval one up.

Tom Symes levelled soon after the restart but Matt Williams restored the Farway lead.

Back came plucky Winsham and a point was earned by top-scorer Ryan Partridge who bagged his eighth of the season.

	P	W	D	L	F	APts
Merriott Res	7	6	0	1	19	1018
W & M Chinnock	6	5	1	0	30	1316
Farway United	8	4	3	1	17	1015
Forton Rangers	6	4	1	1	12	813
Ilminster Colts	6	2	3	1	16	15 9
Netherbury	**4**	**2**	**2**	**0**	**13**	**7 8**
Thorncombe	7	2	1	4	17	16 7
Winsham United	7	2	1	4	15	17 7
Lyme Regis Res	**6**	**1**	**1**	**4**	**12**	**22 4**
Chard Rangers	7	1	1	5	13	28 4
Pymore	**5**	**0**	**2**	**3**	**6**	**14 2**

DIVISION TWO

	P	W	D	L	F	APts
Millwey Rise	9	8	1	0	27	1325
Norton Athletic	8	6	0	2	34	1718
Beaminster Res	**7**	**4**	**0**	**3**	**14**	**1512**
Hinton	9	3	2	4	25	2111
Shepton Beau	6	3	1	2	16	710
Dowlish & Don9	3	1	5	28	32	10
S.Petherton Res	8	2	2	4	19	19 8
Forton Reserves	6	2	2	2	10	12 8
Drimpton	**7**	**2**	**0**	**5**	**16**	**25 6**
Uplyme	**6**	**1**	**1**	**4**	**9**	**19 4**
Chard United	5	1	0	4	8	26 3

DIVISION THREE

LEAGUE leaders Hawkchurch returned to winning ways but were given an almighty shock by visiting Lyme Regis Bantams.

The young Seasiders took the lead against the run of play, and the fierce wind, in the 25th minute when Ben Strong latched onto skipper Wallace Blackmore's pass before keeping his head to score with a composed finish.

The Hawks, who had been denied by the woodwork twice, weren't behind for long and levelled with the goal of the game. Glenn Harding made progress down the right flank before whipping in and superb cross that was just begging to be finished. Tim Hussey doesn't scorn such chances and duly scored with a clinical diving header.

The hosts took the lead five minutes after the restart when defender Martin Bright fired home a crisp low half-volley following a corner. But Lyme, with the wind now at their backs, surged forward and deservedly equalised when Blackmore's shot was saved but squirmed free to the predatory Will Thomson who made no mistake from close range.

The victory was decided midway through the half when The Seasiders, after a period of sustained pressure, were caught short at the back and Hussey pounced to round keeper Harvey Brimacome and slot the ball home and extend his side's lead at the top of the Division to six points.

Misterton Reserves jumped a place to third after a 4-3 win over Luso-Chard at Unity Lane.

	P	W	D	L	F	APts
Hawkchurch	9	8	0	1	41	1924
Crewk Rangers	7	6	0	1	34	918
Misterton Res	7	4	1	2	21	1913
Fivehead United	6	4	0	2	17	1612
W.Horse Res	**6**	**3**	**1**	**2**	**12**	**1410**
Combe A	7	3	0	4	14	18 9
Millwey Rise Res	9	3	0	6	18	24 9
Shepton Res	8	3	0	5	18	30 9
Crewkerne Res	5	2	0	3	13	14 6
Lyme Bantams*	**8**	**3**	**0**	**5**	**18**	**20 6**
Luso-Chard	6	2	0	4	15	17 6
Chard Rang Res	8	1	0	7	9	30 3

* = points deducted

DIVISION FOUR

GOALS from Alex Peach (2), Jamie park, Steve Park, Wes King and Tomohito Nakayama gave Barrington Reserves a 6-3 win at Combe B. Josh Chadwick, Hamish Evans and veteran Steve Mockeridge were on target for the Saints.

	P	W	D	L	F	APts
Winsham Res	9	6	2	1	31	2320
Waytown Hds	**7**	**5**	**0**	**2**	**34**	**1515**
Farway Res	7	4	3	0	23	1215
Hinton Reserves	8	4	2	2	19	1214
Ilminster Town A	6	4	1	1	18	1013
Barrington Res	7	3	1	3	20	1910
Chard Utd Res	7	3	1	3	15	1810
Thorncombe Res	8	2	1	5	15	25 7
Combe B	9	2	0	7	29	32 6
Hawkchurch Res	9	1	2	6	14	29 5
Charmouth Res	**7**	**1**	**1**	**5**	**8**	**31 3**

Dorset Junior Cup, Round 3
Athletico Dorchester v Beaminster Res (postponed)
FC Windowman v Netherbury (postponed)
Thorncombe v Pymore (postponed)

Coronation Cup, Semi-final
Lyme Regis v Combe Reserves (postponed)

Division One Cup, Semi-final
Forton Rangers 3 Ilminster Colts 3
(Forton won 3-0 on penalties)

Tommy Tabberer Cup, Round 1
Norton Athletic 4 Chard United 3 aet

John Fowler Cup, Semi-finals
Crewkerne Rang 4 White Horse Res 2
Crewkerne Res 0 Shepton Reserves 3

Reg Eglon Cup, Round 1
Waytown Hounds 3 Hinton Res 0

Daisy Hutchings Cup, Round 2
Perry Street Reserves 3 Combe A 0
South Petherton Reserves 7 Fivehead United 2

Premier Division
Charmouth 2 Misterton 4
Merriott Rovers 0 South Petherton 6

Division One
Winsham United 2 Farway United 2

Division Two
Uplyme v Dowlish & Donyatt (postponed)

Division Three
Hawkchurch 3 Lyme Bantams 2
Misterton Reserves 4 Luso-Chard 3

Division Four
Combe B 3 Barrington Reserves 6
Farway United Res v Thorncombe Res (postponed)
Ilminster A v Winsham United Res (postponed)

FIXTURES
Saturday, December 12th
Dorset Intermediate Cup, Round 3 (1.45pm ko)
Beaminster v Allendale

Dorset Junior Cup, Round 3 (1.45pm)
Athletico Dorchester v Beaminster Reserves
FC Windowman Reserves v Netherbury
Thorncombe v Pymore

Somerset Junior Cup, Round 3 (1.45pm)
Freshford United v Merriott Rovers
Misterton v Perry Street
South Petherton v Cleeve West Town Reserves

All fixtures below kick off at 2.00pm
Coronation Cup Semi-final
Lyme Regis v Combe Reserves (at Combe)

Arthur Gage Cup, Round 1
Forton Rangers v West & Middle Chinnock
Lyme Regis Reserves v Farway United
Merriott Rovers Reserves v Perry Street Reserves
Winsham United v Chard Rangers

Jack Venn Cup, Round 2
Millwey Rise v Norton Athletic
Shepton Beauchamp v Hinton St George

Reg Eglon Cup, Round 2
Thorncombe Reserves v Barrington Reserves

Daisy Hutchings Cup, Round 2
Ilminster Town Colts v Dowlish & Donyatt

Premier Division
Barrington v Crewkerne
White Horse v Ilminster Town Reserves

Division Two
Drimpton v Forton Rangers Reserves
Uplyme v Chard United

Division Three
Chard Rangers Reserves v Lyme Bantams
Crewkerne Rangers v Millwey Rise Reserves
Crewkerne Reserves v White Horse Reserves
Fivehead United v Combe A
Hawkchurch v Misterton Reserves
Luso-Chard v Shepton Beauchamp Reserves

Division Four
Chard United Reserves v Charmouth Reserves
Farway United Reserves v Ilminster Town A
Hinton Reserves v Winsham United Reserves
Waytown Hounds v Combe B

SWIMMING NEWS

SWIMMERS from Lyme Regis were amongst those in attendance as Chard and District Swimming Club held their annual awards evening at the Shrubbery Hotel, Ilminster.

It was an evening of celebration to mark the success of the swimmers and their achievements through what has been a remarkable year ***writes Steph Hallam.***

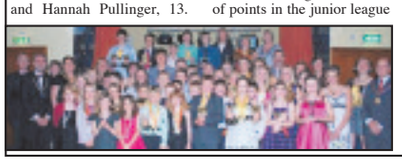
Progress trophies determined by the RANX system were awarded to Jake Hallam and Hannah Pullinger, 13. Whilst Jamie Pullinger, 11, was presented with the trophy for the Junior, 12-years and under category.

Leo Kindred, 8-yrs and under, Bea Brett, 9, Lewis Pearson and Marsha Emery , 10, Jamie Pullinger and Elsie Emery, 11, Abigail Dare, 12, Luke van den Barselaar and Hannah Pullinger, 13 and Jack Fish, 16, were winners of the Club Championship Galas for their age groups.

Whilst Jade Hawkins accumulated the highest number of points in the junior league galas and was presented with a Trophy for her efforts.

Abigail Dare and Jake Harvey made 12 out of 12 appearances at the Junior League galas and were awarded badges for their consistent commitment. The club's success has also seen Abigail Dare, Hannah Pullinger, Beckie Rutherford, Saskia Osborne, Jamie Pullinger, Jake Hallam, Luke van den Barselaar and Jack Fish obtain SW regional qualifying times.

Swimmers are continuing to show commitment and endeavour and to mark this Merit Awards were presented to Paul Harrison (10/11 yrs) Lauren Harrison, 12, Ben Fowler (14/15 yrs) and James Rutherford (Open).



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RESULTS from Thursday, December 3rd: Division One - Nags Head A 7 Rockpoint 1, Nags Head B 5 Nags Z 3. Division Two - Young Guns +1 3 Royal Standard 5.

DIVISION ONE	*P*	*W*	*D*	*L*	*F*	*A*	*Pts*
Nags Head A	*8*	*8*	*0*	*0*	*52*	*12*	*16*
Rousdon Club	*6*	*4*	*1*	*1*	*35*	*13*	*9*
George A	*6*	*3*	*2*	*1*	*27*	*21*	*8*
Nags Z	*8*	*3*	*1*	*4*	*30*	*34*	*7*
Rockpoint A	*8*	*2*	*2*	*4*	*27*	*37*	*6*
Lamb A	*7*	*1*	*3*	*3*	*26*	*30*	*5*
Lamb B	*7*	*2*	*1*	*4*	*22*	*34*	*5*
Nags Head B	*8*	*1*	*0*	*7*	*13*	*51*	*2*

DIVISION TWO	*P*	*W*	*D*	*L*	*F*	*A*	*Pts*
Royal Standard	*5*	*3*	*1*	*1*	*28*	*12*	*7*
Rubber Johns	*4*	*3*	*0*	*1*	*24*	*8*	*6*
Young Guns +1	*5*	*2*	*2*	*1*	*24*	*16*	*6*
Talbot Arms	*4*	*3*	*0*	*1*	*20*	*12*	*6*
George B	*5*	*1*	*0*	*4*	*9*	*31*	*2*
Royal Oak	*5*	*0*	*1*	*4*	*7*	*33*	*1*

◆ *Stat leaders: 180s (top) Terry Prowse 4, Highest shot-out: Jon Hamon 142.*

LYME REGIS POOL

COBBIES ON TOP

RESULTS for matches played on Sunday, November 29th.
Beer Trix Potters 4 Old Cobbies 5
Hat Tricks 7 Pot Nots 2
Brotherhoods 3 Kelley's Muppets 6
League table as at Monday, November 30th.

	Pld	W	L	Pts	Beer
Old Cobbies	7	7	0	42	33
Hat Tricks	7	4	3	40	26
Hunters Munters	6	3	3	28	16
Beer Tricks Potters	7	3	4	28	15
Kelley's Muppets	7	2	5	27	16
Brotherhoods	7	1	6	19	14

WASH OUT FOR LADY GOLFERS

Lyme Regis Golf

by Elaine Colman

Despite heroic efforts from the hewad ground keeper and his staff the golf at Lyme Regis finally succumbed to the elements and was closed on Sunday.

Subsequently the Monthly Medal due to be played that morning was cancelled with a view to rescheduling at a later date.

NIGHTMARE START HITS BATTLING WEYMOUTH

BRAINTREE TOWN 3 WEYMOUTH 2
Blue Square South, Attendance: 431

WEYMOUTH'S Blue Square South revival was derailed in a classic game of two halves at Cressing Road.

The Terras travelled to Essex full of confidence following a decent run of form under caretaker boss, Ian Hutchinson.

Hutchinson said: "A game of two halves is the right decryption. We were sloppy in the first half and gave them an easy 3-0 lead.

But hopes of that continuing were scuppered in the opening 45 minutes with the hosts racing into a three goal lead. Weymouth hit back with two goals after the break, but it was Town who hung on for the points.

"At half-time a few choice words were said by myself and assistant, Andy Mason, and the lads responded well. Too be honest, we could and probably should have gone on to win it in the end."

Braintree got the perfect start when George Purcell broke free of the Weymouth offside trap and lobbed stranded goalkeeper Ryan Harrison from 25 yards after just two minutes.

Ten minutes later Sean Marks was released in the Terras 18-yard box and rifled his shot passed Harrison, only to see his effort ruled out for offside.

On 20 minutes Purcell crossed from the left flank for the unmarked Marks who headed home from close range through Harrison's hands.

Weymouth's best effort came on the half hour when Josh Llewellyn released Jake Reid who saw his shot well saved by Braintree keeper David Blackmore.

On 40 minutes Purcell shot just over from the edge of the box before adding Braintree's third on the stroke of half-time. Breaking from half-way, he raced to the edge of the visitors 18 yard box before drilling a stinging drive past Harrison to make it three for the hosts.

After the break Braintree eased off slightly, allowing the visitors into the contest.

And on 53 minutes Weymouth broke on the left, Matt Groves saw his effort come back off the bar, but Josh Llewellyn followed up to score from close range.

An unlikely comeback then looked a distinct possibility on 75 minutes when Hutchinson's men were awarded a penalty..

Lynvall Duncan was adjudged to have impeded Llewellyn and Jake Reid drilled his spot kick into the bottom right corner.

The last 15 minutes saw both sides enjoy chances. On 77 minutes Matt Game saw his effort palmed over by Harrison and then Duncan headed against the bar from the resultant corner.

Blackmore then had to be at his best to pull off a great save to deny Llewellyn, while Braintree substitute Reece Harris saw his mazy run ended by Harrison when it looked easier to score.

But the Braintree defence held on to secure the three points.

Hutchinson added: "It was a disappointing result in the end and certainly we threw at least a point away. We dropped our standards in the first half and that was annoying.

"But I have to say that following the break we were much the better side and I pleased with the way the boys responded. In the last five minutes we could have won it, let alone draw the game, and so that's why we've come away really disappointed."

■ *WEYMOUTH will be without defender Matt Bound until the New Year.*

The fans' favourite rejoined the Terras in August but has not been seen since the team's 1-1 draw at Newport County on September 16th due to work commitments.

New boss Ian Hutchinson had hoped to have Bound back over the busy Christmas period but has now resigned to being without the him until early 2010.

He explained: "Matt is a big player for us in every way and we certainly miss having him about. It's as much what he offers off the park as what he gives on it. We've got a very young and inexperienced squad and that's one of the big reasons my predecessor, Matthew Hale, brought Boundy in.

"Unfortunately work commitments have limited his availability which is a shame. He deals in property over in Bulgaria and spends a lot of his weekends travelling. But it can't be helped and Matt has been up front with us throughout."

He added: "We stay in regular contact and the good news is that he should be back available in the New Year. That's great news for us and we look forward to welcoming him back."

■ TERRAS Saviours 100 contributors are invited to a special meeting at the *View From Stadium* this week.

The Saviours 100 campaign saw supporters and businesses donate £500 to help save the club from administration back in October.

The meeting which takes place on Friday (December 11th) at 7.30pm, has been called by new club owner George Rolls.

Anyone wishing to attend is asked to confirm by e-mailing George at george@traderecruitmentltd.co.uk.

The meeting will be followed by general questions and answers, to which all supporters are invited.

WEYMOUTH SPEEDWAY

TERRAS' CHANGES NO THREAT TO SPEEDWAY

PHIL Bartlett has assured Wildcats fans that the recent change of ownership at Weymouth Football Club will have no effect on the town's speedway team.

George Rolls took over the Terras a fortnight ago just minutes before the club were due to go out of business.

The Wildcats race behind the *View From Stadium* on the Terras old training ground and use the stadium dressing rooms and car park facilities.

However, the track itself is owned by Wessex Delivery LLP - the company that includes among its directors, former Terras chairman, Malcolm Curtis.

Bartlett told the Speedway Star that it 'makes no difference whether the football club goes bust or runs'.

He said: "Obviously the football club has changed hands and there is a new owner in place, but it doesn't really affect us.

"Our landowner is the same and I forget how many football club chairmen I have seen come and go during my time here.

"I think it must be one or two a year - there have been more chairmen than players!

"It doesn't make a difference to us, though. Our relationship is with Malcolm Curtis, who is the landowner, and not with the football club."

Meanwhile Bartlett will soon begin the task of team building for 2010.

And he'll have to find two new reserves following the departures to Newport of both Tim Webster and James White-Williams.

"There are plenty of riders to go round," he added, "and we always get a team. I've already spoken to a number of riders but I'm not going to start naming names.

"I've not really started team building yet because the 2009 season has only just finished. I have had a nice two-week holiday - it's good to have a break and recharge the batteries.

"The hard work will start soon enough and certainly we'll be looking for a couple of hotshot reserves."

DORSET PREMIER LEAGUE ROUND-UP

Blues beat rain and grab points

FOR the second week running, the weather played havoc with the Dorset Premier League fixture list, with only three games surviving along with a Dorset Senior Cup quarter final between Poole Borough and Sturminster Marshall.

One game that beat the wet was Portland United's clash with Cobham Sports at Grove Corner, where the points went the way of Stuart Heath's men, but they had to come from behind to earn them.

Mustapha Jagne put the Sports in front on the half hour but their lead was short lived as the islanders drew level with a goal from James Dailey. Both sides had chances to win it after that but neither goalkeeper was beaten until 10 minutes from time when the hosts were awarded a penalty. Up stepped Dorset Premier League representative star, Lewis Whyton, to grab all three points for the Blues.

Heath said he was delighted with his team's spirit and also paid tribute to the ground staff for getting the game on.

He said: "We need that result and we deserved it too. It was tough going a goal behind but the boys rallied round and sorted themselves out and came back superbly. It was a result we needed and a result I felt the players deserved. We've had a rough run of fortune lately and we went 1-0 down on Saturday. The players could have dropped their heads but they rallied round each other and showed great spirit to come back and win.

"We were lucky to get the game on with so much rain, but the pitch was in perfect nick. Credit goes to the club and all those people who worked hard to make sure there was some football."

The day's biggest scorers were Wincanton Town who thrashed Sherborne Reserves 5-1 at the Terrace.

The victory, the Somerset side's fifth of the season, moved them up to 10th in the table while Sherborne remain a spot below them.

The other league game to be played saw Cranborne and Parley Sports share the spoils.

After a goalless first half, the Cranes took the lead with a penalty strike from James Antell but Sports hit back with a goal from Robbie Fox.

Meanwhile Poole Borough are through to the semi finals of the Dorset Senior Cup following a 4-1 home success over Sturminster Marshall.

■ SPORTS NEWS IN BRIEF ■

POINT-TO-POINT:
Point-to point fans can start marking dates in their diaries after the 2010 fixtures were released this week.

Racing comes to Milborne St Andrew on February 14th when the South Dorset Hunt hosts its annual meeting, while Littlewindsor is the venue for the Cattistock Hunt event on March 28th.

The third and final Dorset meeting of the season is also at Littlewindsor on April 18th when the Seavington Hunt hosts a competitive card.

SPEEDWAY: Lakeside Hammers have signed Poole's Daniel Davidsson with Ricky Kling moving the other way.

The move sees Davidsson link up with his brother Jonas at the Arena Essex Raceway for next season.

Davidsson will fill a reserve slot with the Hammers for the 2010 campaign, but Kling does not figure in Poole's immediate plans.

Instead, he will ride for Eastbourne next year, who have also signed former Lakeside rider Joonas Kylmakorpi.

ATHLETICS: NIKKI Hamblin is making an excellent start to her New Zealand athletics career.

The former Weymouth schoolgirl went through an involved process during the summer, first to New Zealand residency, followed by citizenship and then a clearance from the UK to compete for the Kiwis.

Hamblin, semi-finalist in the 1500m at the world championships in Berlin in August, recorded an impressive 2m 18.44s over 800m at the Bays middle distance meeting at Sovereign Stadium in extremely windy conditions, Jenny Hauke, paced by Hamblin, was second in 2m 19.08s

The 21-year-old, who used to go to Wey Valley School, then turned round and paced the 3000m, which she won in 10m 52.20s.

Hamblin will next compete at the Sovereign Stadium on December 16th followed by a 3000m at Tauranga on New Year's Day.

COLFOX GIRLS BATTLE HARD IN NATIONALS

THE Sir John Colfox School inter girls battled hard in the English School's Cross Country Cup at Newquay on Saturday when they took on the cream of the country over a fairly flat course with some challenging hills.

The girls qualified with Penair from Cornwall and Leweston School, Sherborne as the South-West representatives against 21 other schools from seven regions.

Knowing the importance of a good quick start, Holly Butt and Beth Letherby led the field for the first 200m before the race settled down.

At the end of the first lap Letherby had established herself in the leading pack with Anna Roberts-Wray hot on her heels, whilst Maddy Gape was running her best race yet in the middle of the field alongside Wendy Robertshaw. Butt was just behind with Alex Middleton in her first major race.

Letherby overtook several runners in the final 200m to finish a superb 12th, with Roberts-Wray also finishing strong in 41st position. Gape just pipped Robertshaw, finishing 78th and 79th respectively, to complete the team's four counters, with Butt 112th and Middleton 122nd.

The aggregate score of 210 points earned Colfox 13th position, beating Leweston by 3 points and one place.

Guildford High School for Girls were the champions with a total of just 63 points, well ahead of second placed Penair with 106 points.

Coach Andy David said: "All the girls gave it everything they had, and I was really proud of them all."

■ **GREAT EFFORT: The inter girls team after the race. (From left) Wendy Robertshaw, Holly Butt, Anna Roberts-Wray, Beth Letherby, Alex Middleton and Maddy Gape.**

GIRLS GOING FOR GOAL

DORSET County FA have arranged a football festival for adults with learning difficulties based at day centres across the county.

The festival aims to provide some coaching for those in attendance followed by a series of small sided games.

The event is being held on Tuesday, December 15th at Redlands Sports Ground in Weymouth between 11am and 3pm.

If you are interested in taking part please speak to your day centre manager or to book a place at the festival please contact Todd Gova, disability football development officer by e-mail at todd.govan@dorsetfa.com or call 07943 810606.

■ 'GIRLS Go for Goal' is an exciting new initiative being launched in 2010 run jointly by Dorset County FA and the FA Skills team.

The project will support local clubs to recruit and retain girls aged from seven to nine years old, introducing them to a structured training programme of matches and central venue festivals.

Information will be sent to club secretaries and appear on www.dorsetfa.com

Clubs will be asked to commit by February 1st 2010 however by that date there is no minimum number of players needed to get involved.

If you are interested in finding out more, an open evening is being held at the Dorset FA County offices on January 21st.

Please contact Clare Nichols, 01202 688280 or clare.nichols@dorsetfa.com

Shipton Gorge table-tennis

Unbeaten run continues

St OSMUNDS CRUSADERS 12
SHIPTON GORGE A 25

WITH Simon Joslin missing for the home side and Chris Glover for the visitors it was difficult to predict how the teams would be affected.

Richard Trim's delayed arrival left Eddy Buck struggling in the number one spot losing his first games 0-3 and 1-3 but Gil Roberts pulled things round with two 3-1 wins leaving the home side with a narrow 8-7 lead.

Trim then showed his class with 3-0 wins over all three opponents and this inspired Buck to a 3-2 victory and Roberts won by a similar margin before taking the doubles 3-0 with Trim to secure a result which was more comfortable than it looked at one stage.

Gorge topple leaders

SHIPTON GORGE B 23
PILGRIMS 12

JOHN Moseley made a welcome return to action picking up serving points with his strong serving and heavy spin against the Division Two's unbeaten leaders.

Jim Saunders again played with a consistency which marks him as one of the division's top players and deserved to be pleased with his nine point maximum. David Poole added four points for the Gorge and then combined with Saunders for a 3-0 doubles win.

A very satisfying result for the home side that keeps them in the top five.

WEST DORSET FOOTBALL ROUND-UP with *STUART BROOM*

WELCOME BOOST FOR VICKERS

DORCHESTER TOWN 2 HAMPTON & RICHMOND 1

Blue Square South, Attendance: 427

RYAN Hill and Kyle Critchell repaid caretaker-manager Ashley Vickers faith in signing them both, by contributing to the goals that finally overcame a dogged Hampton & Richmond side that finished with just nine men.

Hill blasted home a 65th minute equaliser before Critchell's long diagonal ball set up Matt Groves to grab the Magpies winner nine minutes from the end, and give Vickers his first win since taking the reins two weeks ago.

Following a nondescript first half in which the visitors took the lead, it looked as if Vickers own spirit and determination had not rubbed off on his players as the Magpies failed to conjure any clear cut chances against a side that were just above them in the league.

However they came out in the second-half with a much more upbeat attitude and finally got the desserts their efforts deserved.

In addition to recalling Hill, who was cup tied and Critchell who made his debut, Vickers also promoted himself and Steve Devlin, who was also cup tied from the side that lost to Wimborne Town in the Dorset Senior Cup on Wednesday.

Hill, whose shot had been compared to a "sledgehammer" by his boss had the first chance to show his prowess with a fifth minute 25-yard angled free kick that keeper Matt Lovett tipped over the bar.

Hampton & Richmond slowly found their way into the match and took the lead on 18 minutes with almost their first effort on goal when their skipper Dean Wells was allowed a free header from Ashley Smith's corner which gave Regan Coward no chance.

Lawrence Yaku almost added another soon after when he broke free but the recovering Phil Walsh got in a tackle just as he was about to pull the trigger and the danger was averted.

A good exchange between Mark Jermyn and Critchell gave the former Terras striker an opportunity at goal from 15 yards but he drove it straight at Lovett.

Ryan Moss then let fly from 25-yards but again his shot was straight at Lovett before Hill curled a low free kick around the wall but wide of the post.

Then just before the interval Dorchester were unlucky when Lovett in trying to avoid a corner only scooped the ball back into Groves direction. However central defender John Scarborough thwarted Moss by deflecting Groves low cross behind for a corner as the striker pounced at the near post.

The Magpies picked up the pace after the break following Vickers rallying dressing room talk, and Jermyn, who once again led from the front as skipper, had Lovett sprawling at his near post to keep out his drive from the right hand angle of the area, before heading Hill's resultant corner kick wide.

Craig Tanner almost doubled the visitors lead with a thunderous volley from 25-yards following a corner which fizzed past Coward's left hand post, before Walsh missed a great opportunity at the other end, volleying over from close range after his header from a corner was cleared off the line back to him.

Dorchester finally got thew equaliser they deserved when Matt Groves was sent sprawling on the edge of the penalty area under the challenge of Scarborough as he chased down Cowards long kick.

As last man referee Cook had no hesitation in sending the big defender off and Groves spotted the ball for the penalty. To the dismay of the Dorchester players the referee gave a free kick just outside the box, but their disappointment didn't last long as Hill lashed the ball into the roof of the net before Lovett hardly had time to move.

With their confidence high and a man up Dorchester continued to pound the visitors goal, and Jermyn had a great chance to put them ahead as he broke into the penalty area but Lovett closed him down and deflected his shot for a corner. Neil Martin then tested the keeper with a 35-yard effort that Lovett held.

Hampton & Richmond were beginning to look ragged and their frustration was complete when Wells was red carded on 79 minutes for a reckless tackle on Critchell that left the Magpie requiring treatment for an injury to his chest.

However he continued after treatment and made the visitors pay two minutes later with a long diagonal pass to pick out Jermyn running in at the far post who managed to stretch and nod the ball back into the path of Groves who swept the ball home off the inside of the far upright.

There was one last scare for the Magpies when sub David Tarpey's dangerous free kick was just headed wide by Orlando Jeffrey, before Jermyn should have scored from Groves pull back and Ian Selley could only volley Martin's cross over the top.

■ SLEDGEHAMMER: Ryan Hill (2) blasts home Dorchester's equaliser.

Magpies humbled by Wimborne

DORCHESTER TOWN 1 WIMBORNE TOWN 4

ASHLEY Vickers was given a sharp reminder of the job in hand when Dorchester Town were sent spinning out of the Dorset Senior Cup by former Magpies player Alex Browne's Wimborne Town.

Vickers, in only his second game in charge as caretaker manager, was disappointed by his side's capitulation after they had given a encouraging display four days earlier at Woking. He read the riot act to his side after the match and promised to address the situation for Saturday's crucial home match with Hampton & Richmond.

Goalless for over an hour, the Wessex Premier League side hit their illustrious hosts with three goals in a 17 minute salvo and added a fourth in injury time after the Magpies had pulled a goal back.

After a fairly dull and unimpressive first half, the game came alight with Phil Walsh forcing a good save from keeper Nick Hutchings, before Mark Jermyn deflected Harry Montacute's 25-yard effort onto the crossbar.

However it was Scott Joyce who opened the scoring for Wimborne just before the hour with a 25-yard strike, and five minutes later James Stokoe added a second from close range. He then put the game beyond Dorchester by adding another with a smart finish.

Ryan Moss pulled one back in the last minute after being denied by the woodwork, but Joyce completed a miserable night for the Blue Square South outfit by popping up in injury time to add a fourth.

BEES FAIL TO SHOOT DOWN SHREWS

SHREWTON UTD 2 BRIDPORT 1

BRIDPORT manager Trevor Senior was disappointed his side didn't bring back at least a share of the spoils from their visit to Shrewton United on Saturday.

Having slipped two goals behind at the interval, the Bees battled back in the second half and were rewarded with Shane Evans goal, but despite several opportunities couldn't force an equaliser.

Having not played for a full match for a month, Bridport found themselves behind on 19 minutes when they lost the ball in midfield and Mike Brownless was given a free run on goal. He cut in from the left before drawing keeper Simon Evans and slotting home.

Six minutes before the break Carl Jones' through ball caught the Bees defence square and the experienced Jessie Walters ran through to double the advantage.

In the second half Bridport bombarded the Shrews goal and Shane Evans pulled one back on the hour firing beyond keeper Charles Aldridge in a goalmouth scramble.

Hopes of more goals faded as first Chris Clarke missed with a free header from 6 yards and Evans missed a couple of good opportunities. Clarke then was unlucky with a 30-yard volley that dipped over the bar before Ryan Hayter slipped as he was about to shoot.

All Shrewton could muster was a shot that Simon Evans did well to turn over the bar, but they hung on to claim all three points.

WEYMOUTH YOUTH 2
QUEEN BEES U12S 3

QUEEN Bees conceded an early goal at Redlands but soon equalised when Sophie Northover scored from Sophie Tattershall's through ball.

Weymouth continued to apply the pressure however and despite good defending from Gaby McNamee and Nadia Shopland the home side regained the lead.

The Bees equalised when Northover cleverly curled the ball over the home keeper who had left her line, and then completed her hat trick when she slotted home a free kick from the edge of the box given for a push on Caitlin Corbett.

Manager Richard Northover was very pleased with his team's performance and the way they kept fighting until the end.

Any girls wanting to join should contact Patrick Letherby on 01308 482684.

RUGBY ROUND-UP with Keith Jenkin

HOPING to avoid my third wet suit in as many Saturdays, I travelled to Honiton to take in their game against New Cross and found that it had started early.

I had cause to be grateful for this however for, just after the whistle for no side, the heavens opened, but I got to my car in the nick of time. In fact, several local games fell victim to the weather, with both Chard and Honiton's second team fixtures being amongst them.

Weymouth seconds too were without a game, for their opponents, Puddletown seconds had withdrawn from the league.

PUDDLETOWN 6pts WEYMOUTH 45pts

THIS was very much "a game of two halves" as our soccer cousins would have said. It would have come as a considerable relief to Weymouth when, just before the interval, Will Quick put Allen away and he touched down. Peplow kicked the conversion to add to his earlier penalty goal and this gave his side a half time lead of 10-6.

Weymouth had dropped an inordinate number of passes in the first period in what were very wet conditions, and the home side had prospered accordingly and, until the final minute of the half, had led 6-3.

Strong words must have been digested with the half time oranges and the hands that were coated with Teflon, exchanged for those covered with Velcro.

In any event Weymouth played very much better throughout the second period. Passes stuck and attacks flowed. Puddletown found great difficulty in coping and tries came thick and fast as the visitors scored thirty five second half points without reply and stretched away to be out of sight by the final whistle.

FROME 2nd 6pts BRIDPORT 10pts

CONDITIONS at Frome were wet in the extreme and there was very little in the way of wind. Bridport however decided to play with the slope in the first period and really dominated the first quarter but could not score.

In fact the game was half an hour old before the first score came. The visitors won lineout possession on the Frome ten yard line and Ricky Stubbs came into the line. A gap in the Frome defence opened for the full back and he had the pace to out distance the cover and to reach the line. Everitt kicked the conversion to give his side a 7-0 lead that they held to the interval. It has to be said that the first half was a little on the feisty side as the four sin binnings, two from each side, tended to indicate.

The referee's action seemed to quieten matters however and the contest settled down after the break.

Bridport's lead would not have been considered to be anything like sufficient however and a home penalty goal, kicked before the second half was ten minutes old, tended to re enforce this view. Fortunately for Bridport, the home side conceded a penalty in turn, straight from the restart and Everitt restored his side's seven point lead by kicking the goal.

The remainder of the game became a bit of a slog as conditions deteriorated. Frome reduced the deficit via the boot with some fifteen minutes left for play but still remained out of penalty goal range.

Bridport for their part, kept their opponents at arms length, so to speak, never allowing them to get into a scoring position as they closed the game out, something that they have not always been competent at doing in recent times.

BRIDPORT 2nd 21pts
ELLINGHAM & RINGWOOD 25pts

BRIDPORT would have ended the game frustrated in the extreme, having been kicked to defeat and having no one to blame but themselves.

They conceded penalties like throwing confetti and the visitors' kicker goaled three in the first 15 minutes of the game to give his side a 9-0 lead.

This was increased about the end of the first quarter when his side scored a try from a lineout, after kicking another penalty award to the corner. He converted this one also and Ellingham & Ringwood were clear at 16-0 ahead. Bridport roused themselves however and, after a good three quarter move, outside centre Frampton got over. Jason Kidd added the extras and his side were back in the contest. They then reverted to type and were duly punished when their opponents kicked another penalty to lead 19-7 at the halfway stage.

The talk at half time would have contained the words "don't give penalties away" but little notice was taken. Bridport did really get right back into the contest with a try, scored and converted by skipper Kidd, but infringed immediately afterwards and conceded another three points.

They were not done however. Frampton got over for his second of the game and, with ten minutes left for play, they trailed by a single point at 21-22. They then encamped on the visitors' line for some considerable time but could not score, eventually conceding the inevitable penalty that enabled their opponents to clear. They conceded another with a couple of minutes left, were penalised ten yards for rabbit and this further award brought the post within the place kicker's range. He duly kicked the goal that took his side out of penalty goal range.

Bridport could not respond in the couple of minutes left, and lost a game during which they had proved themselves to be superior in most aspects, other than discipline.

WIMBORNE 25pts DORCHESTER 5pts

ALTHOUGH giving as good as they got in most areas, Dorchester were given a lesson in finishing by the home side, and ended the day well beaten. Having had the better of the first quarter, Dorchester fell behind to an unconverted try during what was the home side's initial foray into their territory, conceded to them by a mix up in defence.

A penalty goal increased the home lead to eight points and, although Dorchester went back on to the attack, their efforts lacked penetration and a turnover gave Wimborne the opportunity to score a second unconverted try and they duly took a 13-0 lead in at the break.

The second half started disastrously for the visitors, with influential full back Bament sustaining an ankle injury and being carried from the field.

During the play where the injury was sustained, Wimborne again turned over possession and increased their lead with their third unconverted score of the game. A delay ensued and subsequently an ill-advised offload in the Dorchester midfield allowed Wimborne to gather the loose ball and gallop over from halfway. Their kicker converted this try to complete his side's scoring and to take them well clear.

Dorchester continued to chase what was now a lost cause however and, in the final minutes, they tapped a penalty award, sent the ball wide for Read to get in at the corner. The conversion attempt rebounded from the bar and the final whistle sounded soon after, leaving Dorchester feeling that they had, in part, contributed to their own downfall.

PREVIEW

HAVING been faced with a pretty torrid time in the last few weeks, DORCHESTER have what should be a real respite on Saturday next. Their visitors, BRADFORD ON AVON have not managed a league win so far this season, and lie at the foot of the Southern Counties League (South) as a consequence.

Having lost to the three top clubs away from home, Dorchester should really look to this game to get themselves back on track (not that they have slipped too far from it). They can still have a big say in the promotion race for they have just to play the three clubs who currently lie above them at home.

They do need to win this one convincingly to get themselves back in the groove. I think they will do just that. BRIDPORT take on NORTH DORSET 2nd at the Brewery Field in an encounter that sees the first side in the Dorset & Wilts League Division One (South) play the second.

Their opponents have, like themselves, lost a couple of games this season that they really should have won. I watched the home side last week and really think they will struggle to win this one. They have a few injuries to key players and really did not play too well against a workman-like Swanage & Wareham second string.

WEYMOUTH too are at home and take on BLANDFORD whom I think they will beat after a close tussle for they are playing better than Bridport at this time.

Weymouth seconds travel to their Blandford counterparts in what is the reverse fixture, with this one being rather too close to call. Dorchester seconds too with have a tight game at South Wilts.

As for the Bridport second side, having sneaked the result against a powerful Bournemouth third a fortnight ago, a win that kept them in the top flight of their division, just, they slipped up against Saturday's opponents and lost narrowly.

They really do need to win against North Dorset thirds but, given the club's long injury list, I feel that they will be hard put to do so.

FIXTURES 12th December - Bridport v North Dorset 2nd (home); Bridport 2nd v North Dorset 3rd away; Chard v Taunton 2nd (away); Chard 2 v Minehead 2nd (away); Chard 3rd v Burnham on Sea 2nd (home); Chard Colts v Wellington Colts (home); Crewkerne v Taunton 3rd (home); Dorchester v Bradford on Avon (home); Dorchester 2nd v South Wilts (away); Honiton v North Tawton (away); Honiton 2nd v Kingsbridge 2nd (home); Honiton Colts v Exmouth Colts (away); Sidmouth v Hartpury College (away); Sidmouth 2nd v Exmouth 2nd (home); Sidmouth 3rd v Tiverton 3rd (away); Sidmouth Colts v Tiverton Colts (home); Weymouth v Blandford (home); Weymouth 2nd v Blandford 2nd (away).

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WEST DORSET SPORT ROUND-UP

with *Stuart Broom and Paul Baker*

HORSE RACING ROUND-UP

Weather hampers Buckler's efforts

INCESSANT rain over the past three weeks has meant that many of Bob Buckler's horses have stayed at home, and the only two who have ventured out have found the conditions underfoot too much for them.

Besides heavy going, ***Sean Thornton*** and jockey Nathan Sweeney had to contend with thick fog at Exeter last Tuesday; the rest of the card was abandoned after their race because of the conditions.

The 5-year-old found the going tough and whilst finishing over 30 lengths down on winner Alfie Spinner he showed spirit three from home by passing two horses on the run to the line.

Ethiopia, also having his fourth race, found just as testing conditions at Chepstow on Saturday and had a similar result, finishing sixth behind 11/10 favourite Silver Kate.

Buckler said: "The ground was horrendous at both tracks and both horses did well in the circumstances. They both showed promise in the way they coped and it is good experience for both of them."

The weather meant that Buckler withdrew several horses last week, and with Richard Barber's all weather gallops out of action this week whilst it is undergoing improvements, Buckler sees more declared horses unlikely to run.

Cheltenham's track seems to be better than most at coping with the bad weather and the yard has both ***Clyffe Hanger*** and ***River Indus*** set to run on Friday.

Saturday's card sees ***The Sawyer*** listed for the £150,000 Boylesports.com Gold Cup although it is unsure whether he will make the cut at the 5-day declaration.

John's Gift who gained his maiden victory at Wincanton a month ago, is also declared for the high class Albert Bartlett Novices Hurdle over three miles.

Tizzard hopeful of veteran Mount Oscar

IN addition to The Sawyer, Dorset race fans will have another hero to cheer in Saturday's Boylesports Gold Cup at Cheltenham.

Mount Oscar, trained near Sherborne by Colin Tizzard, will be bidding to become the oldest winner of the contest since Garnishee, in 1974.

The 10-year-old is in fine form following his sportingbet.com Handicap Chase victory over Pasco two weeks ago and looks to have a decent chance at long odds of 16-1.

Tizzard said: "He's gone up to a mark of 140, which would give us a lovely weight. He will enjoy running over two miles and five furlongs in a really fast-run handicap."

Second to Lightning Strike in a Grade Two novice hurdle at Sandown a couple of seasons ago, Mount Oscar lost his way subsequently, but his weak-finishing ways appeared a thing of the past this season and he even displayed hitherto unseen battling qualities when getting back up to deny Pasco.

Tizzard was in winning form at Folkestone last week when ***Enroblim Trop*** took the Anna Busbridge Memorial Handicap Chase under Tom Scudamore.

Meanwhile, Richard Mitchell, who trains at Plush near Dorchester, sent out his first winner for 271 days at Wincanton on Thursday.

Delcombe caused a 50-1 upset in the Bathwick Tyres Taunton 'National Hunt' Novices' Handicap Hurdle for Mitchell, father of The Listener's handler, Nick.

HOCKEY NEWS AND REPORTS

Beaminster keep the pressure on

BEAMINSTER 4 BOURNEMOUTH 3rd 0

THE result was not a surprise; after all Bournemouth 3rd's were unable to field a full team. The surprise was that Beaminster had not put the game beyond their opponents reach by halftime, and only made the points safe in the final ten minutes when they added three goals to their single first half strike.

Beaminster visited the East Dorset town's 4th side last week with only had ten players but came away from Chapel Gate with a victory, but there was no chance they would become the victims this week though as they made the extra player count.

The victory lifts Beaminster above second place Bournemouth 3rds who drop to fourth following this result, and leaves them poised to wrest second place from Yeovil 2nds who they meet on January 9th following the Christmas break.

Beaminster dominated proceedings and keeper Rachel Andrews was almost redundant as Bournemouth only managed to force her into two saves and won two short corners throughout the match.

However despite all their possession Beaminster only scored once in the first half after eight minutes. The evergreen Emma Davies cut in from the right before laying the ball across the goal where Megan Tuck's effort was blocked by the keeper. However the ball ran to Laura Clarke who tucked the rebound home.

With more space to work with Beaminster played some attractive hockey and it was a joy to watch following the rigours of last season when they had to defend desperately most weeks.

If you were to be critical it maybe that they sometimes delayed their pass a fraction longer when a quickly delivered ball would have been much more incisive, whilst at other times they were not selfish enough and moved the ball too quickly without assessing the impact, but everyone worked hard and recovered when the ball was lost.

Once again they created a host of chances but couldn't find the net with a combination of poor shooting and good keeping, and despite never really looking in any trouble of conceding, needed another goal to seal the victory they deserved.

It looked liked they would never score after Davies' shot from point blank range was saved by the sprawling keeper 20 minutes into the second half, but they finally broke the Bournemouth resistance with three goals in four minutes.

With 10 minutes remaining Ali White who had a superb game in defence, particularly in the first-half when she completely shut out Bournemouth's main threat down the left wing, surged into the D following a strong run before slipping the ball to Tuck who beat the advancing keeper from an angle.

Two minutes later Jackie Gape drove home a fierce shot from the edge of the D following a short corner injection from Davies.

A minute later Gape won the ball in midfield before setting Tuck free to pick her spot as the keeper closed her down for the fourth.

■ **West Dorset men's hockey club were held to a 1-1 draw at Sidmouth A but it still keeps them in second place behind North Devon in the South East Division 1 going into the Christmas break.**

DORCHESTER AMATEUR BOXING CLUB

■ **NICE TO MEET YOU: Sir Henry Cooper with Ben Geyser.**

OUR HENRY WOWS BEN AND HIS PALS

MEMBERS of Dorchester Amateur Boxing Club enjoyed an encounter with Sir Henry Cooper, MBE, when he was the guest speaker recently at Dorchester Town Football Club's Sportsman night.

During the evening, the man that put Cassius Clay (later to change his name to Mohammed Ali), the greatest boxer of all time, on the seat of his pants in a non-tile fight at Wembley Stadium in 1963, was greeted by one of the clubs fundraisers Rev Jeanie Chubb, and then signed an original pair of president and chief coach Ben Geyser's lace-up gloves.

The signed gloves will take pride of place in a cabinet at the new Sawmills site where a multi-purpose gym is to be built.

Sir Henry told the audience of around 200 that he had ninety amateur bouts before turning professional, and described the amateur boxing clubs as the breeding ground for the future.

■ A PROJECT between Dorchester's learning Centre and the Dorchester ABC is proving to be a great success.

The pupil referral unit caters for children who are not in mainstream school, and are at the centre for various reasons including an inability to work as a team, school refuser's and learning dificulties.

The children involved with the project progressing well, dismissing traits of shyness and now able to cheer team mates on.

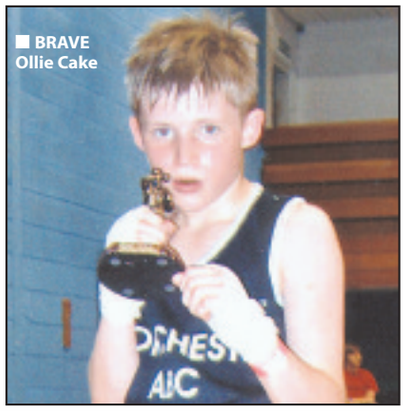
Ben Geyser said: "I get a lot of job satisfaction from these children; I see their confidence and ability improving with every lesson. The staff are highly skilled and experienced in their field, and so far the youngsters have shown a liking and an ability towards the sport.

"Let's hope that this project supporting and working with the community can continue with next year's pupils.

Ollie Cake was beaten on points when he fought local boxer Charlie Ricketts recently at the Super Tournament in Sydenham. Despite some clever defence and a flurry of fast hooks, his skills couldn't stop the big hitting southpaw taking the bout.

Geyser and Pete Wiffen were pleased with Cake's performance, both noticing the crowd's positive reaction to both boxers at the end of the bout.

■ *Dorchester ABC would like to thank Mr Geo, proprietor of the Poundbury Stores for making the club his "Charity of December".*



■ **BRAVE Ollie Cake**

DORCHESTER FC - EXTRA

STACEY APPOINTED AS NEW PRESIDENT

A MAN who started supporting Dorchester Town Football Club as a teenager has just been appointed the club's new president after a lifetime raising funds for the club.

Stacey Legge started supporting the Magpies as a 16-year-old when it was reformed in 1946. The club were then in Dorset League South.

The 78-year-old has been involved in a number of aspects, particularly fundraising, over the years culminating in the appointment of the highest post in the club, succeeding another stalwart Albert Miller who resigned last year.

The club joined the Western League in 1947 and Stacey joined the newly-formed supporters club and became a member of the football club committee, where he carried out car park duties.

Called up for National Service, Stacey continued to support the club whenever possible and from wherever he was stationed in the Royal Navy.

Back in Civvy Street he became dance secretary in 1953 where the almost weekly dances became a regular source of income to funds.

The following year he became a voluntary construction worker helping to erect terracing at the old Avenue Stadium on which Tesco now stands. The terracing took two years to build and remained until the ground was demolished in the late 1990's.

In 1958 he was active in promoting the 'Lucky Six' competition, a forerunner to lotteries, and then in 1963 helped form 'The Friends of Magpies' at a time when the club was in dire financial difficulties and contemplating returning to the Dorset League.

The scheme raised considerable funds for the club, not in opposition to the supporters club efforts but in addition, the highlight being the annual Donkey Derby.

Stacey's next fundraising effort came as part of the committee responsible for the very successful weekly bingo sessions which ran until the late 70's. This was a major and successful source of income for the club, of which, following a rather lengthy legal battle they became the first organisation in town to offer cash prizes under license from the Gaming Board.

This led to Stacey running the 'Moonraker' scratch card lottery, a full time job for him. With a top prize of £1000 this became a massive earner for the Magpies across the county where it was in fierce competition with Weymouth FC's 'Goldliner' lottery.

Stacey was also running the club shop, something he developed over a number of years at both the old and new grounds.

In 1978 he joined the management committee (a forerunner to the board) and became press officer.

!980 saw Stacey meet two sporting giants in cricket commentator Brian Johnson, guest speaker at a huge centenary dinner at Brewery Sports Ground, and the late, great Bobby Moore at a celebrity lunch.

In 1987 he co-edited 'History of the Magpies' a facts and figures book about the club, and when the club moved to the new ground in 1990 became a founder director of Dorchester Town FC Ltd.

That same year he was elected to the management committee of the Southern Football League, a post he held for seven years.

You will see Stacey sat by the front door when you enter the Jewson Stadium most weeks, a very dapper and proud man, meeting and greeting people.

"I would like to pay tribute to my predecessor Albert Miller who has been such a servant to the club and someone I learned a lot from.

"I still hold shares in the club and attend most matches both home and away, and will always hold the welfare of the club as paramount!"

■ **EL PRESIDENTO! New Dorchester Town Football Club President Stacey Legge.**

BRIDPORT TABLE SKITTLES LEAGUE

Division 1	P	W	Pts	Beer
Jesters	8	7	34	7
Second Hand Clock	7	5	25	4
Sally's Mustangs	8	4	22	4
Chilliheads	8	4	21	4
Crown A	7	5	21	1
Eye of the Tiger	7	5	20	5
Whats the Odds	8	4	19	8
Oak a Nuts	8	3	19	2
No Hopers	8	3	16	3
Classsics	8	2	15	5
Simpsons	7	3	10	2
Crosssshots	8	2	8	2

Division 2	P	W	Pts	Beer
Freds Heros	8	6	27	5
5 of Clubs	8	5	24	5
Kens Ps	7	5	23	2
Fishermans Friends	8	5	23	5
Mucking Fuddlers	8	4	21	3
Baggies Boys	7	5	17	4
Slingers	7	3	17	2
Upstairs Downstairs	8	3	17	6
Consorts	8	3	17	5
Five Alive	7	3	16	5
George Gormets	8	3	14	3
Crown Spares	8	1	14	2

Division 3	P	W	Pts	Beer
Tanners A	8	7	31	6
Who Gives a Tuck	8	8	29	3
West Dorset Club	8	6	27	6
Bellends	7	6	25	4
Time Wasters	8	5	22	6
The B&Bs	7	3	16	4
Stickups	8	2	16	3
Catch of the Day	8	1	15	5
Exiles	7	2	14	0
About Time	6	3	11	3
Kings of Hazard	8	1	11	2
Crown Handbags	7	1	8	2

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WEATHER FORCES LYME TO SWITCH SEMI-FINAL

By HOWARD LARCOMBE

LYME Regis have been forced to hand ground advantage to opponents Combe Reserves ahead of Saturday's Coronation Cup semi-final.

After two cancellations and the forecast of more heavy rain Perry Street League Secretary Bob Brunt and his Lyme Regis counterpart Gerard Hitchcock came to the conclusion that the risk of a further delay was too great.

The slope at Combe's Slades Cross Ground, allied to the fact that they have two pitches there, means Saturday's match - barring a downpour of biblical proportions - will go ahead.

The Seasiders had very little choice than to go along with the switch as the date for the prestigeous final has long been cast in stone and is tradionally played on Boxing Day morning.

Should things improve weatherwise Lyme Regis Reserves will take on Farway United at the Davey Fort in the first round of the Arthur Gage Cup.

After running Perry Street League Division Three leaders Hawkchurch close on Saturday Lyme Regis Bantams should be full of confidence ahead of the weekend's trip to relegation haunted Chard Rangers Reserves.

The Seasiders third string were unfortunate to slip to a 3-2 defeat at the hands of the promotion-chasing Hawks with ace goal-poacher Tim Hussey the only real difference between the sides.

Charmouth slipped to their 10th straight League defeat on Saturday. The Robins certainly had their moments in the 4-2 defeat by visiting Misterton and led twice in the first-half.

Both goals came from Sam Dibling. Unfortunately the talented striker only pulled on the red shirt because Axminster Town, his usual team, had no game.

There is some good news for the Barrs Lane faithful with the imminent return of nine-goal leading scorer Shaun Meyers.

Uplyme will be looking for their first win in two months when they enter a cruicial relegation battle with fellow strugglers at Venlake at the weekend.

Charmouth Reserves, still without a manager, and currently propping up the entire League visit Chard United Reserves.

MILESTONE: Lyme Regis footballers marked their 125th anniversary season with a squad photo. Line-up back row, from left: Robbie Prior, Jed Farrell, Ben Strong, Mark Hodder, Wallace Blackmore, Mark Taylor, Ally Rattenbury, Jedd Whittington, Mark Batey, Ethan Rawlins, Aaron Cleal, Barry Wakely. Third row: Alastair McLennan, Luke Clifton, Neal Baker, Dom Rowe, Fred Thomson, Rob Thomson, Will Thomson, Jim Larcombe, Ashley Caddy, Rob Thom, Harvey Brimacome, Jamie Jones, Pete Morton, Neil MacKenzie. Second row: Steve Batey. Malcolm Darby, Matt Laing, Adam Caddy (club captain), Gerard Hitchcock (secretary), Howard Larcombe (chairman), Philip Evans (main sponsor), Robin Townsend (first team manager), Rob Larcombe, Ben Morgan. Front row: Joe Bond, Rob MacKenzie, Tom Baptist, Rhys Paterson, Luke Street, Dave Turner. Photo by Francesca Evans

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